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## The EDGE

• OU's own Jean Racine, freshman, performing arts, made her Olympic debut at the Salt Lake City Games yesterday finishing a disappointing fifth in the women's bobsled. Racine had been a favorite for the gold until her brakeman pulled a hamstring in practice last week. The U.S. women's other team did win the gold, with the two German teams collecting the silver and bronze.

• The 10th annual Keeper of the Dream banquet is from 6:30-9 p.m. tonight at the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion, on the east side of campus. Martin Luther King III is the keynote speaker. The four winners of the Keeper of the Dream Award will also be honored at the banquet and one will be awarded the Special Recognition Award.

• Winners of the fifth annual Martin Luther King Jr. essay contest were announced this week and first prize of \$300 went to Heather Evans; second place went to Juan Torres; and third place went to Karen DeVault. Congratulations!

• Tea on Tuesdays at Meadow Brook Hall continues in 2002. Tea is served from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month.

• The Post will not be publishing an issue next week because of Spring Break. Have a fun and safe break.

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# Dec. grad date may change

## Students favor earlier date, faculty oppose move

By Heather Clement  
ASSISTANT TO THE NEWS DEPT.

OU officials are considering moving the fall term commencement ceremony up one week to Dec. 14.

This poses concerns for some because the date is a Saturday in the middle of finals.

The decision to change was based on low turnout and complaints from stu-

dents and faculty at last December's ceremony, which was held three days before Christmas.

Joel Russell, OU's American Association of University Professors chapter president, estimated that the December 2001 commencement was attended by about 50 percent of potential graduates.

In a Jan. 21 Senate meeting, the proposal to move graduation up a week was

discussed, however, OU faculty were not formally consulted until Feb. 14.

"Last Friday the AAUP Executive Committee voiced unanimous support to recommend the Dec. 21, 2002 commencement be moved to a date in January 2003," Russell wrote in an email sent to faculty Monday.

Currently, the AAUP is asking faculty, asking for faculty input on three possible commencement dates.

The three dates under discussion are Dec. 14, Dec. 21, or sometime in early January 2003.

"Early returns from faculty suggest a 10-1 ratio for commencement in Jan. 2003," Russell said.

Many faculty members are opposed to holding graduation during final exam week, and if it was held in January all students eligible for honors could be recognized, Russell said.

Elizabeth Sowers, freshman, biology, said, "What's the point of working so hard for four years without walking with honors that you've earned."

Russell doesn't favor the Dec. 14 commencement date.

"It's terrible timing," and there was "no consultation of faculty," Russell said.

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## Shock jocks expelled by radio station

By Rachel Rybicki  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Two students who hosted a sexually provocative campus radio show Feb. 8 were fired Tuesday by the station's general manager, Dave Gullo.

The fired DJs are Nathan Razzaq and Paul George.

A third DJ, Christopher Luckritz, was reprimanded and suspended for two weeks.

"We've completed the investigation of the situation, and due to the content of the show and the integrity of the radio station, we have decided to remove their show and their presence at the radio station," said Gullo.

He cited passages from the station's program manual that he said the duo violated. Among the violations was the failure to take "personal responsibility to abide by all FCC and university regulations as they pertain to educational broadcast stations," Gullo stated.

Gullo said Luckritz is going to be handled separately.

He made the decision after meeting with the two DJs, listening to their explanation and consulting with WXOU program director and faculty advisor, Kellie Hay.

Present at the meeting were Hay, faculty advisor, Jean Ann Miller, Director for CSA and Leadership Development and Glen MacIntosh, Dean of Students.

"No one forced this decision. It was supported by the Dean of Students," said Hay.

Gullo stood behind his decision.

"We run this place like a family, and in a family there is no room for dishonesty or obscenity," said Gullo. "We pride ourselves on being part of the community, and we want to treat the community with respect."

Problems arose when Luckritz invited two female community college students to appear on George and Razzaq's Friday morning show, "to spice up the radio station." The conversations turned explicit, and as Luckritz said last week, "it just got out of hand."

Last week, WXOU's executive staff suspended the show while it investigated what had occurred.

"They disrespected the hard work that every-

WXOU continues on A4



Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

## Sweet Revenge

PIE GUY: Brandon Curry, a hall director in Vandenberg, took one for the team from Jeff Frankowiak, a R.A. in East Vandenberg, Monday night - dorm residents could pay \$2 to throw a pie at an R.A.

## Animal rights activist encourages veganism

Alum speaks about circuses, research, zoos

By Susan Bromley  
THE OAKLAND POST

The video images are startling and graphic - elephants chained and beaten at the circus. Cows being branded, ears cut and ovaries removed, all without anesthesia.

Gary Yourfsky, an OU graduate, spoke about animal rights to four rhetoric classes last week. During his presentation, he showed students a disturbing video where animals were being tortured and killed.

"I did not come here to convince anyone that animals are more important than human beings, because the issue of importance is irrelevant to how animals should be treated," Yourfsky said.

"No one's ever said a mouse is more important than your family. The more helpless a creature, the more it is entitled to protection."

Joe Blake, freshman, undecided, attended one of the talks and described it as "mind-blowing." He left the room during the video. "Luckily I hadn't eaten, or I would have thrown up. I couldn't get it out of my head."

Yourfsky, 31, is the president and founder of Animals Deserve Absolute Protection Today and Tomorrow. He has been arrested 13 times, most notably for his participation in freeing 1,542 mink from a Canadian fur farm.

He became an activist after going

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Gary Yourfsky

## Senate names two representatives to attend Board meetings

By Cara Plowman  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Despite the Board of Trustees' decision not to honor the faculty's request for a liaison, the University Senate voted last Thursday in favor of appointing

two senators who will attend Board meetings.

The two senators chosen, Professor of Mathematics Darrell Schmidt and Assistant Professor of Education and Human Development Shannan McNair, will go back to the Senate after

each Board meeting and report what the Board discussed and decided.

The recommendation was made during the January Senate meeting after a discussion of the Board's denial to create two faculty liaison positions.

In late October a faculty-created committee, the Academic Affairs Review Committee, charged with investigating the Academic Affairs division, released a report that recommended the appointment of a faculty liaison who would attend

Board members and essentially act as a consultant.

The recommendation for a liaison was one of 15 suggestions in the AARC report.

In early January, Board of Trustees chair Ann Nicholson

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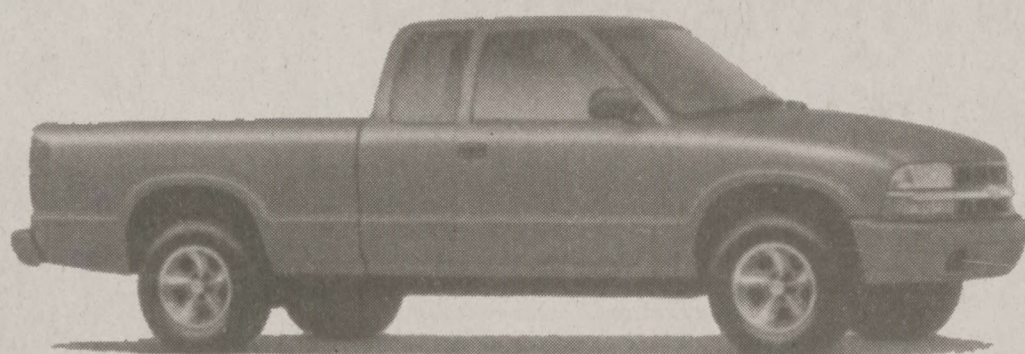
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## PT earns accreditations

By Rachel Stuve  
THE OAKLAND POST

The doctoral program in physical therapy at OU was recently awarded an eight year re-accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education.

The group is currently the only agency recognized to award accreditation to physical therapy programs.

The accreditation is good for eight years and is renewable through a voluntary process. In order to be considered for accreditation, a physical therapy department has to undergo a self-study of their

program.

During the self-study, the department compares its program to commonly accepted characteristics of physical therapy. A report is then submitted to the CAPTE for review. A team of three inspectors visited the university for of three days. The purpose of the review team is to "validate the self-study report and document other significant findings" said Mary Jane Harris of CAPTE.

A report summarizing the findings is then submitted back to the school. Harris said this "allows the school to respond to the document and clear up any misunderstandings."

The CAPTE then makes its decision based on the self-study, inspection, and the school's response. If the program meets the evaluative criteria, accreditation is awarded.

If not, the program is granted a short probationary period to address concerns.

Harris also said that OU's physical therapy program "has been accredited since it started."

The B.S. level has been accredited since 1979, the Master's level since 1990.

"(It has) a student graduation rate above average, performance on the licensure exam and passing rate above average, and rate of employment above average," said Dr. Beth Marcoux, director of Physical Therapy at OU.

She also said that the CAPTE noted the program's "strong systematic assessment of both student outcomes and curricular revisions."

There were 199 accredited physical therapy programs in the U.S. in 2001, 165 programs offered master's degrees and 33 programs offered doctoral degrees.

According to Marcoux, there are six physical therapy programs in Michigan, and OU's program is one of the first three in the state to move to the doctorate of physical therapy level.

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## Safety issues brought to light after interview

By Christine L. Mobley  
THE OAKLAND POST

Students heading to night classes through the OC basement no longer have to fumble and grope their way through the darkness.

Five lights outside the basement of the OC that were not working for months were repaired the day after The Post inquired about them to Ron Carlsen, foreman of mechanical/electrical trades of Campus Facilities & Operations.

Four of these lights are the older globe-type lights and need to be upgraded to the Franklin-type lights that are found almost everywhere else on campus.

The lights are not part of the brightway path on campus that is part of OU's efforts to keep students safe after dark.

According to Carlsen, an OU police officer is supposed to go around campus to do a lighting survey monthly.

"Unless those outages are reported to (work control) by students or staff on campus we aren't aware of them. We don't have the staff to be here at night to go around and check that out," Carlsen said.

The stairwell located at the rear of the OC is located off to the side of the brightway path and could have been just as dangerous.

According to Carlsen, the lights outside of the OC had not been reported.

OUPD Lt. Mel Gilroy said that the lighting surveys that are done encompass the brightway path and not those associated with the buildings, while those are still a concern.

"I don't recall seeing one done since before the holidays," Gilroy said.

Maps of the brightway path are supposed to be available by either by emailing, calling or going into the OUPD office. However, OUPD did not have maps available when The Post requested one.

Police referred The Post to Campus Facilities & Operations, who then refer the student to work control.

No one could provide the map, despite information on the OU website that it should be available from OU police.

The turnaround time for repair on the brightway lights, the lights along the path that start at Vandenberg Hall to Dodge Hall and from the path beside O'Dowd Hall to Varner Recital Hall, is supposed to be 24-hours from the time that notification is received.

"It's easy to verify it, because for everything that comes into Work Control a work order is generated," Carlsen said.

"Anytime we get a report we try to fix the problem immediately, the next day or within the week. There are a lot of factors."

Depending on what the problem is with the light, it can vary from something as simple as changing the lightbulb to malfunctioning conduits or wires that run beneath the ground, he said.

Gilroy also mentioned that construction had been an issue concerning some of the lighting circuitry.

The construction on campus in recent years has also caused problems with the lighting.

According to Carlsen, a construction crew backing into a conduit has caused problems with the lights located near the student apartments.

The lack of staff in the work control area also makes it difficult to maintain all the lights, all of the time, Carlsen said.

To report a light that is out, contact the work control center at 248.370.2381. The work control center's business hours are from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and voice mail will take messages after hours.

## GHC offers free tests

By Gayle Issa  
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

College students, in particular women, are at high risk for eating disorders. Graham Health Counseling Center has two free informational sessions and screenings scheduled for today, Wednesday, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

"College students are under a lot of stress because they are making so many transitions. The desire to be attractive to the opposite sex means there is a major concern about appearance and weight. We are bombarded with media images that give an impossible standard of beauty and this results in a pressure to conform," Bela Chopp, director of the University Counseling Center, said.

The sessions and screenings are being held in conjunction with National Eating Disorders Screening Program. This is the third one at OU, and Chopp plans to hold them annually from now on.

"I stress that this program isn't just for people who think they may have a disorder. This is for the purpose of educating also. There will be a lecture and video shown which will teach students how to recognize symptoms in other people and understand how to differentiate between different disorders. These are things which are important to simply know," Chopp said.

At the end of the presentation participants will be given the option to fill out a questionnaire and discuss the results with a counselor.

"At that point if there are any red flags, the counselor will suggest a follow-up appointment," she said.

According to Chopp there have been several success stories. But there is one she brings to mind.

"A young woman who was in a profession which required a certain body type carried her eating habits too far. Her body became the arena on which all her conflicts were fought, and she became anorexic."

"Treatment is multi-disciplinary and requires a therapist, a dietitian and a physician," Chopp said.

Some facets of the treatment

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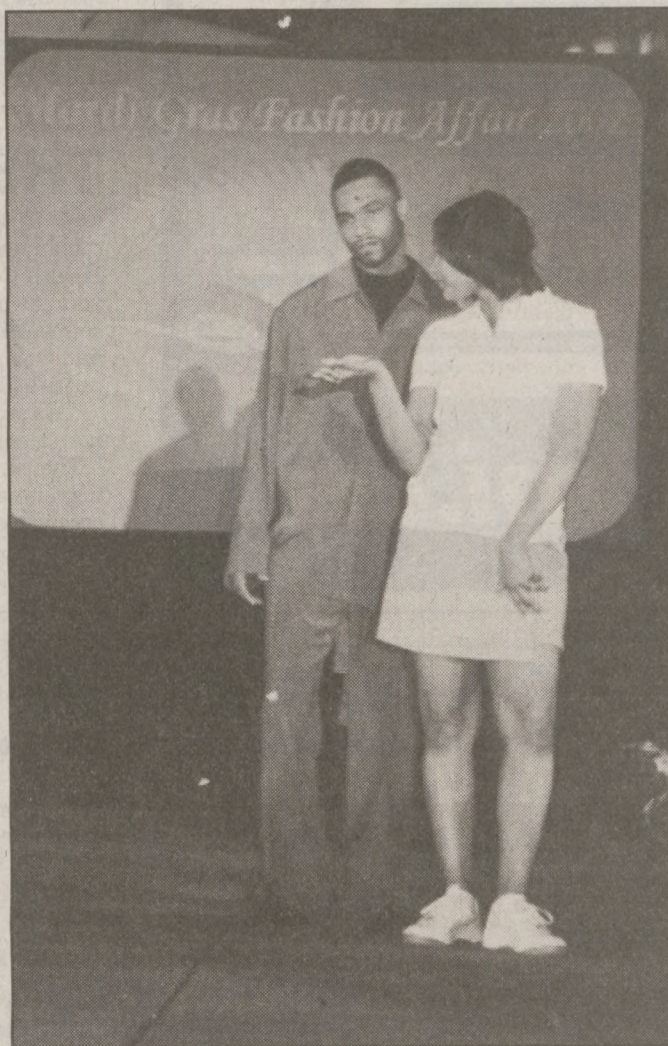


## ABS enhances community

STRIKE A POSE:

The Association of Black Students hosted a fashion show in hopes of improving community relations at OU. The show was not aimed at only African-American students, but to the whole student body. There was a couple different segments of the show including, swimwear, urban gear, casual outfits and lingerie.

Dan McDuffee/  
The Oakland Post



By Leah Kelley  
THE OAKLAND POST

The Association of Black Students' second annual Mardi Gras Fashion Show was held at the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion and most participants agreed it was a success.

ABS members said they wanted to hold a fun event that would enhance social relations in the university community. Their idea for a fashion show was one that would be both entertaining and promote campus relations.

"ABS is truly about establishing an academic, social and family background on campus for black students," ABS President Lenwood Compton said.

ABS aimed to unify not only African-American students, but the student body as a whole, according to Compton.

"Last year, it seemed like every man for themselves. Everyone wanted to be the star," Shanta Irving, junior, said.

The clothing ranged from culture wear to business attire.

Some wore swimsuits, urban gear, casual outfits and lingerie. There were performances by local singers and rappers, as well. The Akanke dance troupe and Intrigue hip-hop dance group also performed.

One student who took to the run way during the fashion show, Janell Hearn, said the show was impressive.

"It was great, even better than I expected," she said.

Spectators got a glimpse at Alota Wear, designs created by ABS board member Orvileta Bygrave.

## CRIME WATCH



Allison Lingenfelter/The Oakland Post  
OLD SPARKY: A student's car began to smoke and then caught fire in the parking lot last Thursday. The cause is still unknown.

• Last Thursday, OU student Danielle Garza's van caught on fire.

Garza was on her way to her "Dynamics" group meeting at approximately 3 p.m. on Thursday. After pulling into a parking spot in the main lot in front of South Foundation Hall, the van smoking. As Garza left to alert authorities, the van caught on fire.

"It started smoking and kept getting worse and worse," said Garza.

The cause of the fire is still undetermined.

• Police are investigating five incidents of theft during the last

week, two in the Rec. center two in offices and one in E. Vandenberg Hall.

• According to OU police reports on Feb 11, a male student, 23, reported personal items were missing. The man reportedly put the items in an unlocked locker in the Rec Center at about 8:30 p.m. When he returned at 10:45 p.m. the locker was empty. He reported the theft to Rec Center staff and returned to the locker room to look for the items. He found his pants and jacket in a bathroom stall and his wallet in the trash can. He reported that all items were recovered except \$18 cash.

• A woman staff member reported her cell phone missing from her unlocked locker in the Rec Center on Feb. 14, at 8 a.m. She reported that the phone, valued at \$150, disappeared while she was in the shower.

• A woman, 50, Troy, and staff receptionist in N. Foundation Hall, reported to OU police on Feb 13, that a \$100 bill was stolen from a zippered pocket on the side of her purse. She discovered the money missing when she went to lunch at 12:30 p.m. She reported to police she had left her purse beside her desk.

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## SENATE

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wrote a letter to Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Virinder Moudgil which stated that the Trustees would not allow any liaison positions but would allow regular, informal faculty input on matters that come before them.

At the meeting last month, debate heated over Nicholson's letter, and some senators voiced their concerns, denying her assertion that there are open lines of communication between the faculty and Board.

"The subsequent meeting at the

Senate floor suggested that Senate should go ahead and make a recommendation (on the) faculty liaison to go to these meetings and bring back information," Moudgil said.

Moudgil acknowledged that some Senators were questioning the validity of the representatives, because they are chosen by the Senate and not appointed by the Board. "To have faculty liaisons from the Senate appointed, or designated, it makes it their responsibility to go to those meetings, so faculty is always at the Board of Trustee meetings," said Moudgil.

Last week, the Senators, taking what they called the first step towards getting what they want, appointed two repre-

sentatives after one amendment and extended debate.

Senators debated whether to call the position a faculty representative or a Senate representative. On one hand, the person would be attending the meetings on behalf of the faculty, they argued. But since nominations to appoint two people were made within the Senate only and were not campus-wide, they decided to call it a Senate representative.

At the meeting, Senate member John W. Henke Jr. introduced his objection to the wording of the motion, stating that there wasn't a distinction between whether the representative would be involved in the Board meetings or a

bystander in the audience.

"The implication is that representatives are going to be on the Board of Trustees, when, in fact, if I understand it, all they're going to do is attend the meetings of the Board of Trustees. That strikes me as being very different from being a representative to the Board," said Henke, who is an associate professor of marketing.

Moudgil agreed that the motion was misleading, and Steering Committee chair Joel Russell reworked its wording.

Moudgil said he thinks the faculty will be able to get the faculty liaison position they want in the future.

"I think that this is achievable, but this is the first step. I haven't given up

on the issue. I hope you don't. This is one trial that we can put in practice to see how it works," Moudgil said.

Senators eventually unanimously approved the modified proposal, which moved "to appoint Senate representatives to express faculty opinions to the Board and enhance communication between the Senate and the Board for the duration of their Senate terms."

During Senate's last meeting, held Jan. 17, Moudgil indicated that the next meeting should be dedicated to working with the trustees, who would be invited by the Senate. No trustees were present at that meeting last week.

## VEGAN

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behind the scenes at a circus with his stepfather, a circus clown.

Yourofsky describes the circus as slavery, noting that the animals are chained, caged and beaten in an effort to make them perform unnatural tricks.

"Fear is the only way to make wild animals submit and perform," he said. "They are shipped around like cargo in boxcars and semis while someone else profits from their labor and misery."

Yourofsky told audiences that he is also against zoos, saying that the confinement causes neurotic behavior and lethargy in the animals.

When asked about the conservation efforts of zoos, he replied that if zoos only kept endan-

gered species he would give them a thumbs up, but noted that 90 percent or more animals in zoos are not endangered.

Yourofsky is also against medical research. "The animal research world has done a masterful job of convincing everyone that your dying mother, your sick baby, is going to be saved by torturing and killing mice and monkeys. The anatomical, physiological, immunological, genetic, histological and even psychological differences are too great to overcome."

Yourofsky focused a great deal of his speech on humans' consumption of animals for food. Yourofsky said he knows not everyone can be an activist. But he hopes that by educating people, he can convert them to veganism, a lifestyle in which you consume no food that comes from an animal and wear no

clothing that comes from an animal, such as fur, leather, wool, silk, or down.

Yourofsky stated that humans are not naturally carnivorous, citing the findings of Dr. William Roberts, editor-in-chief of the American Journal of Cardiology. Roberts found that "when we kill animals to eat them, they end up killing us because their flesh, which contains cholesterol and saturated fat, was never intended for human beings who are natural herbivores."

Yourofsky notes that true carnivores do not get clogged arteries, heart disease or most cancers and also that humans don't have claws or fangs like carnivores do.

Katie Maloney, freshman, undecided, said, "We don't think about where our food comes from as long as it tastes good. I always knew that pork chops

came from pigs and that eggs came from chickens, but I never thought of them being beaten to death, living in terrible conditions or being abused throughout their lives," Maloney said, adding that she was rethinking her dietary habits.

John Edrington, freshman, MIS, first saw Yourofsky speak last semester and became an animal rights supporter. He was so inspired, he helped establish Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals at OU and became president of that organization. He said that SETA's current main goal is to educate its members.

Edrington is a vegetarian and is trying veganism but has found that cheese is difficult to give up. He isn't willing to go to jail for his new cause, but Yourofsky said he isn't asking anyone to go to jail because that's his job.

## GRAD

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Katie Hannon, junior, nursing, said, "I would feel cheated because it would take away from my studying for finals which could result in a much lower grade."

Derek Dickow, student body president said, "Change is possible only through solid student opinion, and it is clearly for the

Dec. 14 commencement. I am going to discuss it in a meeting with student congress on Mon. March 4 at 4 p.m. "

Whatever is decided at that meeting, Dickow will present the results to the Board of Trustees at its meeting March 6.

Candy Callahan, senior, elementary education said, "I would almost want it in January because it would be after the holidays, after finals and less stressful."

## WXOU

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body does here. Our staff has always been dedicated to providing new and creative programming to enhance the cultural value of our community," Gullo said.

Dean of Students Glen MacIntosh said he was pleased with the way that WXOU had handled the matter.

"Today, I was primarily there as a facilitator in hopes that the radio station staff would resolve the matter," he said. "I thought (the decision) was appropriate for the actions ... there are guidelines we have to follow, and every time we violate those, we place the radio station in a position where we could be fined or our license could be revoked."

MacIntosh said concerns about FCC sanctions against the station appear to be unlikely. The only other punishment WXOU could face would be action by OU's Board of Trustee, which owns the radio's license.

But MacIntosh said, at this point, he doesn't know if this is a Board concern. "I am not aware that they've been informed or that it would be anything brought up at a board meeting," said MacIntosh. "I just think that the radio station (is an opportunity) for the students to learn and grow, and we don't want to lose them."

Mary Beth Snyder, vice president for student affairs, said that even though the Feb. 8 broadcast was uncommon of the station, it is still not acceptable. "I am satisfied that the faculty advisor and the station manager have taken this very seriously and have addressed it in a way that it won't happen again," she said. "From my second-hand report, it was not very appropriate in a university setting."

"I think the radio station has an obligation and responsibility, and I hope that with this decision, students realize how important the regulations are that are set by the station and how important the regulations are that are set by the FCC," said Richard Fekel, director of the Oakland Center, where WXOU broadcasts.

Some expressed concerns about the content feel WXOU deserves more of a punishment.

"That was not quality programming," said Mathew Hudson, OU Student Congress Legislative Affairs Director. "I think that even though it wasn't fault, I think that the administration should reconsider the kind of programming that goes on the air ... I just hope we don't have any more occurrences like this again on the radio, it is embarrassing."

## THERAPY

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plan are available at Graham Health Center. That particular young woman was treated by a counselor and doctor at GHC and was referred to an outside nutritionist Chopp said.

"We worked as a team to bring her to recovery."

The turnout at these screenings have been successful. At one occasion an entire athletic team attended.

"I'd love to run out of chairs, but if we can help just one person then in my mind it's been a success. One life can make all the difference," Chopp said.


There is a lot of hope invested in these programs because there is a 70-80 percent rate of people who respond to treatment. Today five to 10 percent of post adolescent women have eating disorders, and many more have some form of disordered eating patterns according to GHC health center.




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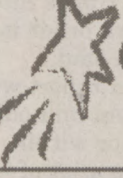
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### CSA Annual Student Leadership Retreat

March 8-9, 2002

The Center for Student Activities Office is sponsoring its annual Student Leadership Retreat from 8:00 p.m., Friday, March 8, until 5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9. It will take place off campus at the Louhelen Conference and Retreat Center in Davison, Michigan. Meals, lodging and (limited) transportation is included. The leadership retreat is FREE!!! Enhance your leadership, communication and team-building skills. Interact with experienced student leaders and OU faculty and staff. It's open to all OU students. Sign up at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center. For more information, contact Jean Ann Miller, director of the CSA Office, at (248) 370-4332, or email her at [jam@oakland.edu](mailto:jam@oakland.edu).

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# LOCAL NEWS

The Oakland Post

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## Tuition ceiling approved

By Jessica Boles  
THE OAKLAND POST

With the economy in recession, the Michigan legislature has chosen an alternative route for its 2003 public university appropriations.

Earlier this month, Gov. John Engler, House and Senate education leaders and the presidents of the 15 four-year state-supported public universities agreed to place a ceiling on tuition increases for next year at 8.5 percent or \$425, whichever is greater.

The agreement is in contrast to the 2001-2002 school year when Michigan's public universities increased their tuition anywhere from 6.8 percent to 19 percent. OU's increase was 8.4 percent.

The decision for the ceiling was made "when it was decided that the 2003 budg-

et would remain the same as 2002, which was 5-7 percent better than expected," said Senator John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, chairman of the Senate Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

Schwarz said that all of the universities' presidents have verbally agreed to the tuition limits. However, they have until Feb. 25 to confirm their acquiescence in writing.

Whether or not the university presidents agree with the proposal, the penalties listed in the proposal will be enforced.

Public universities who raise tuition above the cap will be penalized by losing the percentage amount that they exceed the restriction of 8.5 percent or \$425 (whichever is greater) in state appropriations. The forfeited money will then be redistributed among universities holding

the tuition.

Prior to the meeting, OU had not decided on its tuition increase for 2002-2003.

Steve Roberts, associate vice president of finance and administration, said before OU makes tuition decisions it first "sees what the state appropriations are."

Roberts said that in the past OU has set tuition for the two following school years, to allow OU officials and students to plan ahead. Because of the weakening economy, however, the BOT did not make any future tuition decisions in 2001.

OU is likely to adhere to the tuition limit.

"We've sort of got a commitment to do that," said Roberts.

Roberts also commented that 2003 will be a lean year because of economic conditions in the state, a lack of increase in state appropriations and the fact that

OU's student population is growing.

"I don't speak for the Board of Trustees or the president, but from our standpoint we're going to live up to our commitments. It's going to be difficult, but it always is," Roberts said.

Some schools may have a more difficult time adhering to the new tuition increases. Central Michigan University recently approved a tuition increase of 27.9 percent for the 2002-2003 school year. Because of the penalties attached to the tuition cap, CMU will likely have to make budget cuts whether it signs the proposal or not.

When asked whether or not this approach to the promotion of higher education will be seen again in upcoming years, Schwarz responded that, "a legislature would never say what they're doing the next year."



### Should You Avoid Roll-ups?

Q. What are "roll-ups"?

A. Well, there are Greek salad roll-ups... and taco roll-ups... and roll-up truck bed covers... but you're probably asking about investing and companies, right?

If you've ever marveled at a company that appears to be on an acquisition spree, you may be looking at a "roll-up." Roll-ups are companies that grow not by ramping up operations and increasing sales internally, but by acquiring many smaller competitors, usually in a fragmented industry. This can be a risky business, as each acquisition has its own ways of doing things and each has to be integrated into the roll-up.

Some roll-up companies include Alderwoods Group (Nasdaq: AWGI) (specializing in funeral homes and formerly known as Loewen Group), Metals USA (OTC BB: MUIN) (metals), U.S. Office Products (OTC BB: OFIS) (office products and services), and USA Floral Products (OTC BB: ROSI). U.S. Office Products gobbled up more than 200 firms. Yowza.

Whereas many diversified firms begin as small companies and grow organically, gradually buying other companies, a classic roll-up has a more unusual modus operandi. The company may not even exist until its founder/promoter finds about 5 to 15 companies willing to join forces with him in exchange for cash and stock. This cash and stock may not materialize until the company goes public (which it quickly does), enticing investors with its rosy projections and plans. In a sense, the roll-up acquires companies on credit!

This process likely continues, with the company issuing more stock as it acquires more companies. Let's say that an acquirer's stock price is valued by the market at about 10 times earnings. If it generates \$5 million in annual earnings, the roll-up might buy it for about \$50 million in cash and stock. Meanwhile, the roll-up itself might be enjoying a valuation on the stock market of about 20 or 30 times earnings. In this way, the roll-up is immediately recognizing a higher value for its purchase than it paid.

One problem with roll-ups is that they're often run by people more adept at sales and promotion than at running large and growing businesses. Management may have little experience in the industry or with managing full-scale operations of dozens of companies. Integrating the businesses can be extremely difficult.

Not all roll-ups are to be avoided. But study them closely before jumping in.

Interesting note: This Q&A is adapted from one originally written several years ago. Since then, all the roll-up examples cited above have either filed for bankruptcy or are trading for pennies or fractions of pennies per share. The stock market can be a dangerous place, if you don't understand what you're investing in!

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## Spring breakers pick alternative destinations

By Heather Clement  
ASSISTANT TO THE NEWS DEPARTMENT

Many college students have opted out of leaving the country for spring break.

Whether by choice, the events of Sept. 11 or simply a lack of money, a lot of people are staying close to home.

John Sullivan, supervisor of Leisure Travel in Bridgeport Connecticut, said he has seen an "upwards trend to staying domestic. I would assume it is because of 9-11."

He added that many students are going to Florida and Texas and are carpooling and driving as opposed to flying.

Sullivan said last year approximately 77 percent of student tours included a flight. This year it is down 13 percent.

"Being in the student travel niche is fortunate for us because the students are not as affected as other travelers may be."

Some students choosing to stay rooted are going on SPB's sold out trip to Atlanta for \$125, a price that includes transportation and hotel.

Marcella Williams, sophomore, undecided, has chosen that route.

Williams went to Atlanta "years ago, but not for spring break."

Nicole Brown, sophomore, elementary education, is going on a ski trip to northern Michigan with her sorority sisters and some fraternity friends.

"My parents don't want me to fly anywhere," she said.

Some students are finding that the slowing economy has affected their travel plans. A lot of students cite the lack of money as the reason for not going on spring break.

Tim Blazejak, sophomore, undecided, is traveling to Delaware with his family and said he doesn't have any money because he is a "poor college student."

There are other factors not related to the fear of air travel or the economy that are keeping students at home.

Renee Orow, freshman, education, has friends at colleges across the state.

"It kinda sucks cause your other friends don't have the same break you do," she said.

Students going on spring break may find it helpful to access the U.S. Bureau Consular of Affairs at 202.512.1800 or [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov).

According to the bureau, travel wise students should leave the address and phone number of vacation locations with someone at home and familiarize themselves with the laws and customs in any place they visit.



TAKING OFF: An intricate fountain welcomes visitors to Metro Airport's new Midfield Terminal.

Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

## Midfield ready to fly

By Ashlyn Cates  
THE OAKLAND POST

Detroit Metropolitan Airport unveiled its new Midfield Terminal at an open house last Saturday.

Airport officials expect the state-of-the-art building to improve travel throughout the airport and shine a positive light on Detroit.

"Most people fly into Detroit on Northwest and their first impression will be positive because it's such a beautiful building," said Michael Conway, director of public relations for Detroit Metropolitan Airport. "Our hub carrier will be able to expand international service. We become overnight an extremely important community in terms of transportation."

Northwest's new home opens to the public Feb. 24, and the terminal offers travelers a wide variety of unique amenities.

During their stay at

Midfield, visitors can set their sights on the \$3 million black granite fountain on the main concourse. Other terminal highlights include four separate play areas for children, black leather seats in passenger lounges, more than 70 shops and eateries and murals of Detroit sports legends at baggage claims.

Midfield's tunnel is a terminal centerpiece. Spanning 685 feet, the tunnel connects Concourse A to Concourses B and C in a unique way.

The tunnel is divided into seven zones, each offering its own musical and light show for travelers. Musical selections range from classical to the soothing sounds of nature. More than 400,000 lights are projected through tempered glass, and each light and sound shows lasts 7-10 minutes.

In addition to impressive architectural features, Midfield boasts a new image of security. The are 21 separate security checks and 250

closed circuit TV cameras monitoring travelers.

Lost luggage is a problem that plagues airports everywhere, but Northwest hopes to remedy the problem by using its \$50 million state of the art baggage handling system.

Northwest estimates that the domestic luggage claim will take about 15 minutes, and travelers can pick up their luggage at any of the 18 new luggage claims. This is an increase compared to only four baggage claims in the Davey Terminal.

While passengers are waiting for their flights to department at one of the 97 gates, they can dine in style at any of the four World Clubs. The clubs offers its patrons free cocktails and access to fax machines, the Internet and corporate meeting rooms.

Midfield also offers a new 11,500-space parking structure with 160 handicapped spots. Moving walkways, self-payment stations and

valet parking are also available.

It is expected that Midfield will host more than 30 million passengers a year. The number of restrooms, baggage claims, curbside check-ins, E-ticket kiosks and gates have all been increased significantly to better serve its guests.

Cira D'Anna, junior, art history, is flying Northwest Airlines to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. for spring break.

"I just hope it's as good as they make it sound," said D'Anna. "It's stressful enough preparing to go on a trip let alone getting stuck in an airport."

The Midfield Terminal is a part of a \$2 billion airport expansion project that began in 1996.

The project also included the construction of a new runway and access road connecting the airport with I-275.

## Internet-based group calls students to action

By Andrew Zuehlk  
THE OAKLAND POST

Headlines like "Oil Drilling in Alaska" and "Chinese Occupied Tibet" often draw a great deal of attention.

For the majority of OU students, however, connection to these far-off events is difficult. It is easy to realize that global environmental and social problems do exist, but it is often hard to admit that these problems can be found close to home.

While environmental and social rallies are now a rarity on most university campuses, getting involved is still an option. Student activism has not disappeared; it has simply evolved.

The Student Action Network is one of the nation's largest Internet-based youth advocacy groups. Sponsored by a national organization called Environmental Defense, SAN connects its members to today's environmental and social issues through Internet activism.

Since the hey-day of campus protests in the 1970s, environmental and social activism has vastly changed. Technology has become its tool, and the Internet its ral-

lying ground.

By equipping members with multimedia-based online tools, SAN can instantly contact thousands, generating emails and faxes to top decision-makers. In addition to featuring streaming video, audio and interactive action alerts, SAN's website, [www.studentactionnetwork.com](http://www.studentactionnetwork.com), features animated virtual newscasters who present the latest action news.

SAN brings the news directly to students.

"People are only activists when they want to be," said Jim Green, senior, elementary education. "They get together and talk about how awful things are and then they go home and back to their everyday lives."

SAN is easily accessible, bringing the issues into the home and allowing members time to respond.

The organization deals with local, national and world issues on a regular basis, providing information and helping to increase awareness. The Student Action Network recently celebrated its first victory when thousands of emails were sent to the CEO of Pabst Blue Ribbon requesting that the company remove a Tibet billboard that read, "Pabst Blue Ribbon celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the peaceful liberation of Tibet." China

invaded Tibet in 1949 and occupies the country today. Shortly after the email campaign, Pabst Blue Ribbon removed the billboard citing the influx of email messages.

Elizabeth Pollerito, junior, English, believes that "the responsibility to change what you do not like about society ultimately lies within yourself."

Pollerito is involved with Americorps at OU, helping to tutor Pontiac children in math, reading and character building skills.

"It is hard to think about changing the world as a whole, but it is much easier to start at the grass roots level. At Americorps, we want to make the country a better place, but we start with the city of Pontiac," she said.

"Encouraging young people to become active in environmental and social issues is the key to a sustainable future," said Benjamin Smith, director of the Environmental Defense Action Network, a branch of Environmental Defense. "Environmental Defense recognizes the importance of educating and inspiring young people to take action. The Student Action Network is doing just that."



# PERSPECTIVES

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## Editorial

### WXOU's Gullo, Ross deserve praise

The buzz around campus this past week centered on the controversial Howard Stern-like broadcast by two DJs at WXOU, the campus radio station.

While administrators may have been tempted to summarily handle the problem, they did not.

The hard decision to fire the DJs was made by WXOU General Manager Dave Gullo in consultation with Program Director Mike Ross. Both understood the potential FCC sanctions that station could have, but most likely, would not face.

Both also appreciated a greater threat to the station's future--an action by the station's legal owner, the OU Board of Trustees.

Radio differs greatly from print journalism in that it does not enjoy all of the benefits of the First Amendment. Although actual content cannot be censored by the FCC, word choice and the use of "seven dirty words" is closely monitored and strictly enforced on the radio. Contrarily, print is cautioned (primarily by readers) not to use controversial language.

WXOU differs greatly from The Post, as well. The Post is owned by a separate, nonprofit corporation with close ties to OU, but not under the BOT's control.

The Post has weathered its share of controversy, but the staff has never felt the threat that the radio station has faced for more than a week.

What was said, was said. That can't be changed. The only people whose job it is to clean up the mess that was made should be the two people who run the station. And that's exactly what happened.

Gullo and Ross acted professionally and should be congratulated.

Just as with most businesses, when a problem arises, it is the responsibility of those in charge to handle the situation. WXOU's staff took care of the problem when they fired the two DJs responsible for the violations.

If the Board, administrators or anyone else were to try to impose rules and regulations beyond those of the FCC, a serious injustice would ensue, and the overall quality of the radio station would be compromised.

## The Post Staff

• The story "Radio station under fire" (Feb. 13) incorrectly stated that OU officials stopped a controversial broadcast on WXOU Feb. 8. The show went into an extended break and then continued with a less controversial broadcast.

• In the same story Kellie Hay's name was spelled incorrectly.

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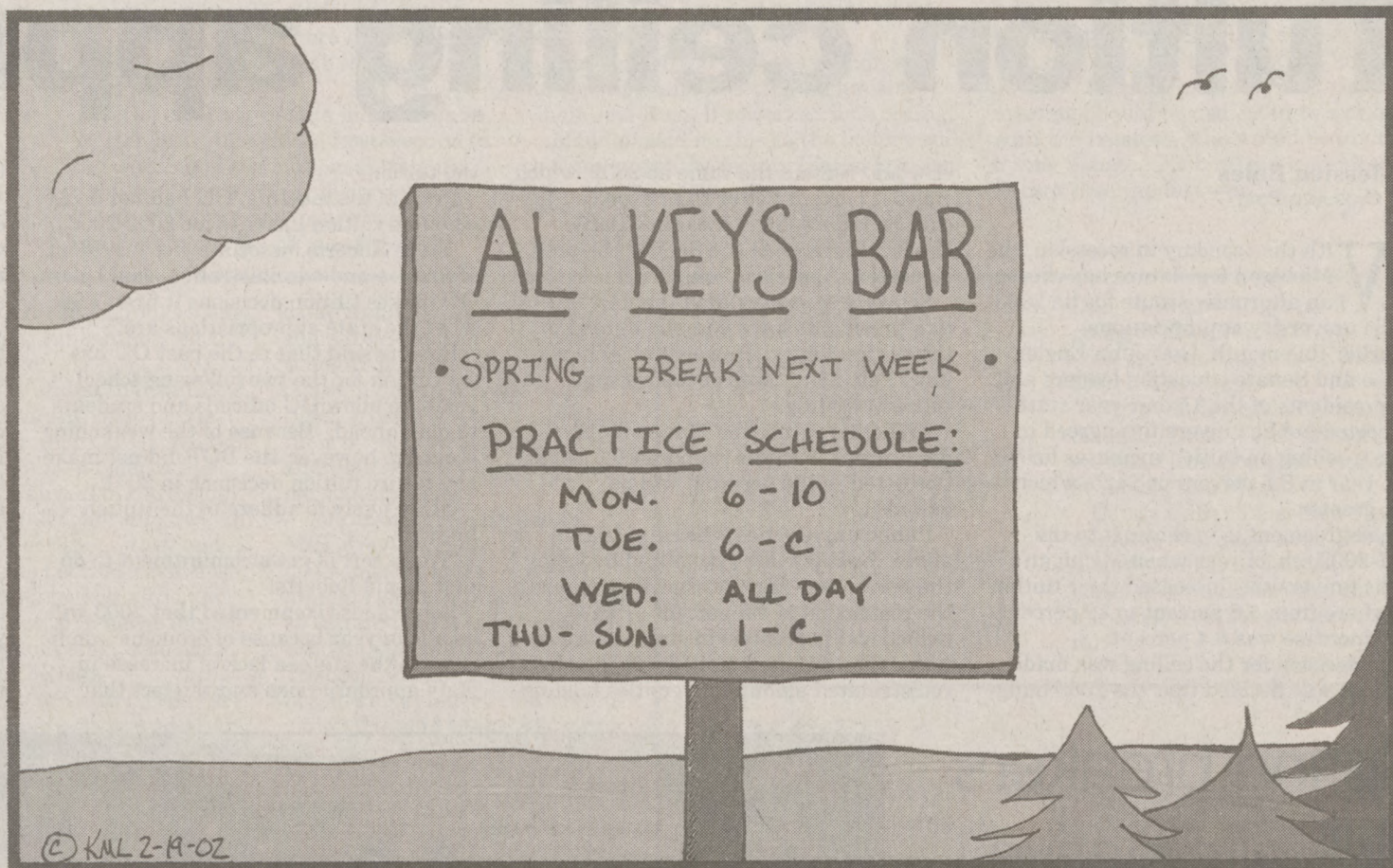
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## Letters to the Editor

### Student says decision process needs revamping

Dear Editor,

I regret that I was not able to attend the Student Congress meeting Feb. 11 and ask Vice President for Finance and Administration Lynne Schaefer these questions personally. In the article ("VP answers snow day questions at Congress meeting," Feb. 13), Schaefer claims that the initial decision, made at 5 a.m., to keep classes open on Jan. 31 was made because the snowfall had stopped.

Now, I am not sure if Schaefer was referring to the snowfall at the University of Miami in Florida, but I was already on the road on my way to the gym at 5 a.m. and was at school by 5:45 a.m. It had not stopped snowing anywhere that I drove through. She then claims that the final decision to cancel the classes was made at 7 a.m. I was in the Rec center until 7:20 a.m. and nobody in there, student or employee, knew anything about classes being canceled.

Next, I went to move my vehicle from the parking lot behind Varner Hall to the one near the Foundation Halls. I had a conversation with one of the snowplow drivers in the parking lot at Varner.

I wanted to know why they had one of the entrances/exits blocked off with snow in front of it. He told me that they had piled the snow in front of the exit because they had to keep additional cars from coming in and out of the parking lot if they wanted to get it cleared in time for the 8 a.m. classes.

Mind you, by this time it was already about 7:30 a.m. Apparently the grounds maintenance crew was also unaware of the decision to cancel classes for the day. After making it over to the Foundation Halls parking lot, I went into the Oakland Center to get my morning cup of hot chocolate. Welcome to another building where students and employees alike had no idea the classes were cancelled!

It was not until 8:10 a.m. or so, after two other students and I had been sitting in our history class for about 10 minutes, that a school official came through the building to let us know classes were canceled.

All of this leads me to the question that if the decision was made at 7 a.m. to cancel classes for the day, who was actually made aware of this?

Why was the notification not sent out to the local media until a half an hour later? Does it take that long to make a telephone call?

I know that I would have already been on campus anyway (unless they had canceled at 5 a.m.) and upset about any decision made at 7 a.m., but my point is that

I have serious doubts about Schaefer's assertion that the decision was actually

**I think somewhere along the line there needs to be some changes to either that decision-making process or the people involved with it.**

made at 7 a.m. or at some later time. If it was made at 7 a.m., what good is it if the information is not going to be disseminated to those who need to know?

I think somewhere along the line there needs to be some changes to either that decision-making process or the people involved with it.

Danny Riley, Jr.  
sophomore, public administration

### 8 a.m. class opinion

Dear Editor,

We, the students of Tuesday/Thursday COM 202 at 8 a.m., are writing this letter in concern to the events of Thursday, Jan. 31. Of the 28 students in this class, 24 of us commute. Eighteen of those 24 students leave before 7:15 during normal weather conditions. On this particular day, almost every commuting student left before 7 a.m.

After collectively reading the article in The Oakland Post, we acknowledge that efforts were made to close school at 7 a.m. Unfortunately, with such extreme weather conditions, this is barely enough notice for those commuting, even had policy been observed. Our concerns are furthered by the fact that surrounding communities had acknowledged the threat of extreme weather conditions and took action to ensure safety in such treacherous conditions.

We appreciate the acknowledgement of the fact that there was a problem is organizational communication. In lieu of these facts, as students of an 8 a.m. class, our concerns are geared toward the future. Current public discourse revolves around what went wrong on Jan. 31; however, little has been mentioned about what corrective actions have been taken to ensure the safety of OU students, faculty and staff.

We, as a collective body, are requesting a written response addressing these concerns.

Special Instructor Scott Crabill's  
Communication 202 class

### Education doing okay

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in response to a letter published in your paper on Feb. 6, 2002. Unfortunately people only seem to write to these editorial columns when they have something to complain about. I, on the other hand would like to say something positive.

I am speaking for the rest of the elementary education majors, who have had a positive experience with their field coordinator, advisors, and the receptionists in the elementary education department.

Sure, sometimes some of our field placements may take some time to be posted, but all of mine were on time, as were many of the other students in our program. Any time that I called the elementary education advising office, Jan has always called me back within a reasonable amount of time.

Also Sherrill (Director of Field Placements) has always answered any questions I have had within 24 hours of email or a telephone call.

Also, she had been extraordinarily helpful to me during my educational experience at OU, as have the majority of employees in that department.

I know they are very busy in that department, but I also know that they have taken steps to train additional people to work in their department.

Training these people will take some time, and people might have to be patient once in a while.

I attended MSU, and I was in the elementary education program there.

At that time, they had a couple hundred more students in the elementary education program there than OU does right now but they also had at least twice as many people in that department working there.

However, I had less assistance when attending that school in that particular program and I felt totally dissatisfied, which is one of the reasons why I came to OU in the first place.

I even had the opportunity to speak to Dr. Mary Otto on this particular matter when I first met her last week.

We spoke about the letter, and I informed her of my opinion.

I know that the people in that department are doing the best they possibly can and sacrificing a lot of their time to help us. All of you keep up the good work!!

Julie A. Farmer  
senior, elementary education

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**Quote of the Week**  
**America is a large, friendly dog in a very small room. Every time it wags its tail, it knocks over a chair.**

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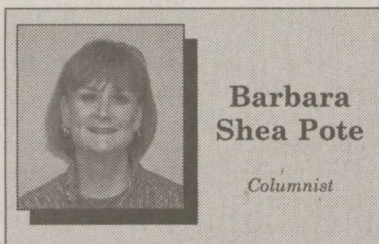


OTHER VIEWS

# Teaching kids the importance of lying starts young

If any of you still step into the living room filled with trepidation, wondering if Santa made it down the chimney to leave you just what you wanted, you better skip this column.

You see, there is no actual person who is Santa Claus. No matter what Hollywood would have



**Barbara Shea Pote**  
Columnist

you believe or at least wants you to pay to watch. It was your parents or those in parental positions in your life that left the skates, Hotwheels, Barbies and CDs you wanted. Yep, they are big, fat liars. Or should I say we?

I love everything about being a parent - when I'm not hating it.

The thing I hate the most is lying to my kids about anything, but especially about Santa. It doesn't bother my husband, in fact, he enthusiastically supports the myth and would be furious if I told.

It really bugs me to trot out the old "I believe in the spirit of Santa." Or to use "magic" when explaining exactly how he knows what they want or how he gets into a house without a chimney.

It's really tough trying to explain why we are giving things, newly purchased toys, to a church charity we support to benefit those less fortunate. How do you explain to a four year old that the Santa that is very gener-

ous to her cannot be so generous to some others?

My two older girls must surely know that their Dad and I put out the basketball, mini-ping pong table, books, hair bows and many other things they found on Christmas morning.

However, they have not said anything and I am constrained by culture, circumstances and my husband from asking them if they still believe in Santa.

That is the thing about lies, once you start one, you are trapped. You are trapped because you don't want to be caught. You don't want to be known as the big fat liar. Also, for a brief instant, when my girls

actually know that I am Santa, I've lost a bit of credibility with them.

They'll remember every time they asked me point blank if I believed in Santa. They'll remember that I skipped around the truth with a "spirit of Santa" answer (I tell myself this is the truth because there is a spirit of Santa but lying to yourself is still a lie).

Now I could get all preachy and talk about honesty and being good and God but the truth of the matter is - lying is tiring. When you lie you have to keep track of what you said and to whom you said it. You have to remember what you are doing or saying,

now and what you've said in the past. Or you have to remember who you can see or talk to, who knows what about you and what you can say to them, at any given time.

Yikes, my life is complicated enough, thank you.

So, other than one teeny tiny little lie that only rears its ugly head once a year, I am honest with my girls. I don't tell them everything, but I always tell the truth.

*Barbara Shea Pote is a columnist for The Post. Send comments to oakpost@oakland.edu.*

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## CAPTE

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Dr. Kris Thompson, Special Instructor in Physical Therapy, thinks OU will benefit from the accreditation renewal.

"Students must graduate from an accredited physical therapy program in order to sit for the licensure exam (which is

required in all 50 states in order to practice) after graduation.

"Many students are interested in getting the DPT degree and we will continue to attract students who want to become physical therapists," he said.

Thompson is also confident

that Oakland will continue to improve the program and has an excellent possibility for renewal again in the future.

"The faculty and students are committed to continuing to maintain a high standard for physical therapy education and to remain a fully accredited program. It is challenging and requires a lot of work to maintain accreditation but we are confident that we can do it," he said.

OU's DPT program accepts 28 students per year and will be adding a new faculty member in fall.

For more information about the physical therapy program, visit [www.oakland.edu/shs/pt](http://www.oakland.edu/shs/pt) or the American Physical Therapy Association's website at [www.apta.org](http://www.apta.org).

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# CRIME

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A male student reported his laptop and other items were stolen from his desk in an office in Dodge Hall last Wednesday. He said he thinks he locked the desk, but the lock does not work properly. His laptop case was put under his desk. He said that at about 11 p.m. Feb. 15, he went to retrieve his computer and it was not in his desk. Other items included were a Dell floppy drive, a Microsoft Mouse, several CD's, a mini-disk player and his checkbook which was in the case. Total value of the missing items is approximately \$2,630.

On Saturday at about 10:30 p.m. a male student, 18, reported to OU police, he left his dorm room in E. Vandenberg Hall around noon. When he

returned several items had been stolen: a Sony Play Station 11, four games, and a DVD, valued at approximately \$500. Other electronic items in his room were not taken. He said he did not remember if he had locked the dorm door.

Lt. Mel Gilroy of the OUPD said the alleged thefts "Are under investigation and the suspect development that we need will be followed up on." He also said they have a possible suspect in the theft from the Rec. Center on Wednesday.

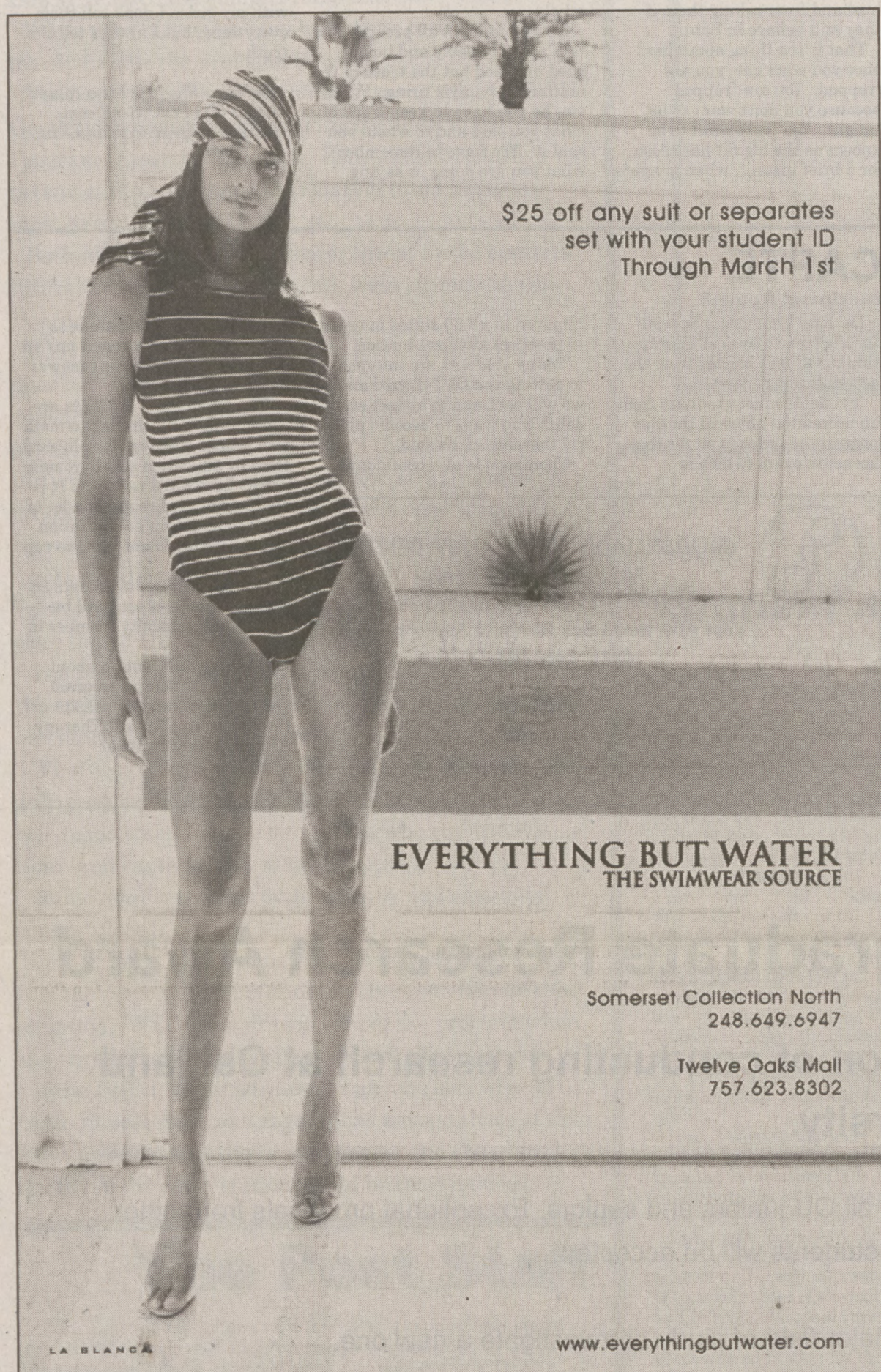
A small get together in W. Vandenberg Hall was interrupted by OU police on Friday evening at about midnight. The Hall director allegedly smelled alcohol when passing residents in the hall and noti-

fied police. Upon arrival, OU police knocked on the door and asked the five individuals inside and reportedly saw wine bottles and beer bottles on the dresser and asked the students for their drivers' licenses. A male student, 19, allegedly registered a .100 PBT. Another male student, 20, allegedly registered a .05 PBT, both were residents in W. Vandenberg Hall, and both were given tickets. The three other students were over 21 and not ticketed.

Parking madness reached an all time high on Tuesday at approximately 1 p.m. A female student in a Nissan was searching for a parking space in P1, and saw a car pulling out of a parking space at the same time the male driver of a Ford Mustang

did. The two raced to the spot, the Mustang winning and backing into the newly opened spot. The woman then rolled down her window and asked the man driving the Mustang, "What are you doing?" in which he allegedly hurled an expletive as well as a cup full of ice. The ice went through the woman's open window and cut her right ring finger. The woman went to the OU police station and filed a complaint.

Hamlin Hall had a false fire alarm on Friday about 12:30 a.m. OU police responded. Hamlin Hall was being evacuated when police arrived. Police searched the building and found of fire.



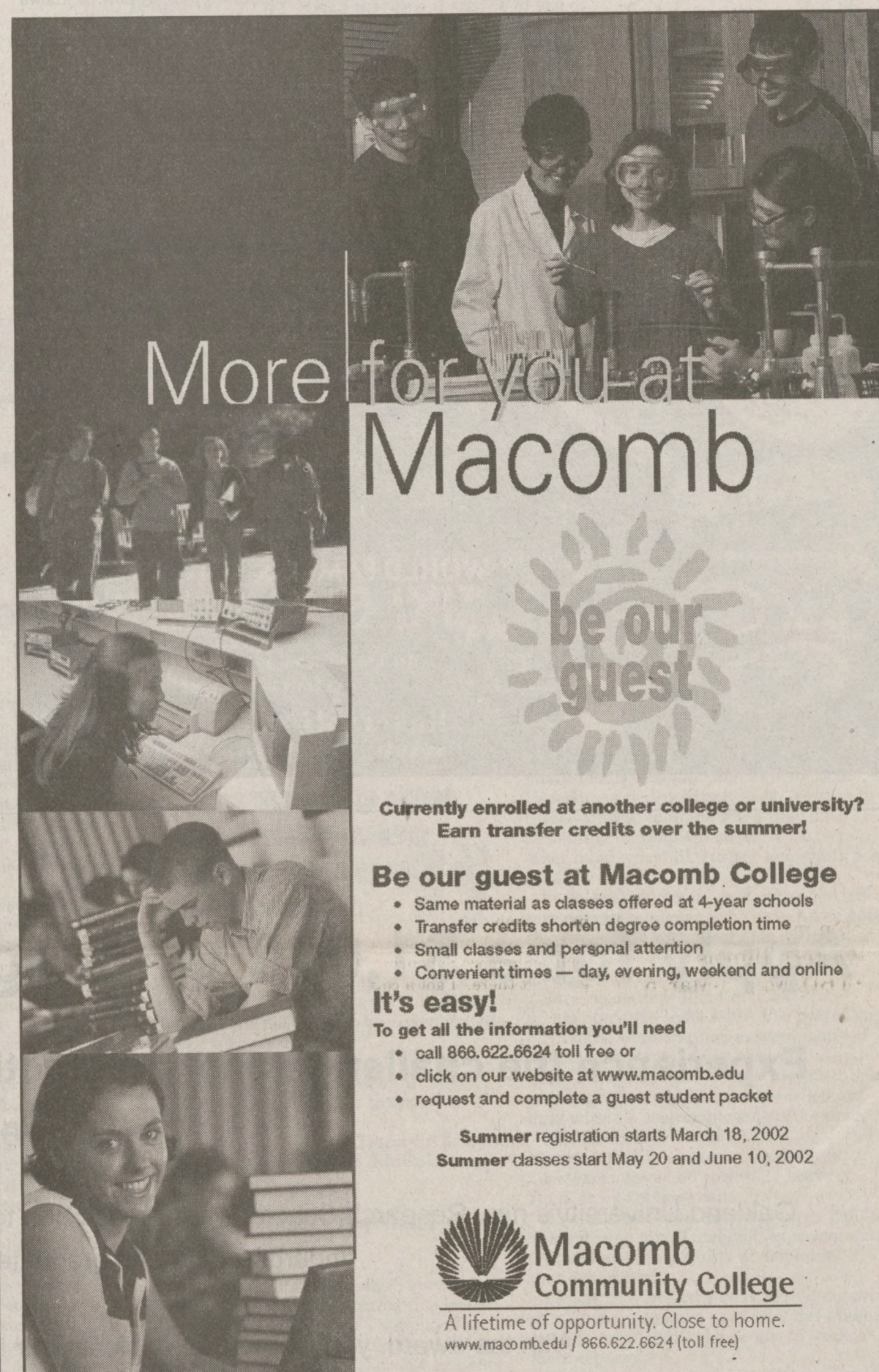
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February 15  
Oakland 4  
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• 8:05 p.m., Feb. 21 -  
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• 5 p.m., Feb. 23 - at  
Western Illinois  
• TBD, Mar. 3-Mar. 5  
- Mid-Con conference  
tournament at IPFW  
War Memorial  
Coliseum

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

• 2 p.m., Feb. 23 - at  
Western Illinois  
• 8:05 p.m., Feb. 25 -  
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• 10 a.m., Feb. 27 -  
vs. Miami-Ohio  
(National  
Tournament)  
• 9:45 a.m., Feb 28 -  
vs. Utah State  
(National  
Tournament)  
• 9:45 a.m., Mar. 1 -  
vs. SUNY-Stony  
Brook (National  
Tournament)

## Grizzlies win nailbiter at IUPUI

### Men sweep season series

By Chad Mack  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Headed down the home stretch, the men's basketball team finds itself in position to determine its destiny. The Grizzlies disposed of IUPUI in Indianapolis Saturday, and in the process propelled themselves to just a game back of first place Valpo. How convenient that the Crusaders are OU's next opponent.

Thursday night's showdown could determine who will be the Mid-Con regular season champion. As it stands right now if OU wins its last two games, the Grizzlies would be crowned champ and receive the number one seed in the Mid-Con tournament.

"That's what we were trying to do since we won at Southern Utah," said senior Brad Buddenborg. "Once we beat them at Southern Utah, it just gave us all new confidence. Nobody beats Southern Utah at Southern Utah. We've been playin' with that same confidence ever since, so hopefully we can pull it (winning at Valpo) out."

OU needed overtime and a last second miss to over come IUPUI on its senior night. This is the third straight year that the game was decided on the last shot. Last year the Grizzlies lost in the final seconds.

"This year we were able to survive a miss," said head coach Greg Kampe. "We gave it back to them. We pretty well controlled the game the whole way and got sloppy at the end of regulation and let them tie it. This time of the year you just want to survive and move on."

OU was led by the scoring of two players, Mike Helms with 23 points and Buddenborg with 22. Mychal Covington and Jordan Sabourin led the way for the grizzlies on the glass grabbing seven boards apiece.

Senior Dan Champagne was in foul trouble all game, picking up three personals in the first half, and eventually fouling out with a little under three minutes left in overtime.

"It gave me more opportunity to play," said sophomore Sabourin. "I felt really good out there. I got a couple of blocks early on."

Sabourin finished the game with two

blocks, eight points, and a steal.

OU led by two with just under ten ticks left on the clock when junior forward Josh Mullins, of IUPUI, hit a shot from the paint to tie the game at 77.

"The rebounding was our Achilles heal as it usually is," said Kampe. "The thing that will reach out and bite you, when you look at the stat sheet is that we committed 25 turnovers. We normally don't do that, and down the stretch, the turnovers allowed them the chance to win."

Oakland had been leading the conference in turnover margin, however since Saturday's contest the Grizzlies have fallen to second behind arch rival Valpo.

Sophomore Kelly Williams made a game saving block in the final seconds of overtime. Senior guard Taj Hawkins drove the lane for IUPUI and attempted to tie the game and force a second overtime. Williams blocked the ball out of bounds giving IUPUI one last shot. This time the Jaguars attempted a forced three pointer that would have won the game, but the shot went long and the Grizzlies preserved the win.

The final two games have serious implications on how the Grizzlies fair in the Mid-con tournament.

"With two games to go it's in our hands," said Kampe. "When you started the season, if you would've said, 'go into the last two games if you win them both you'll be champions,' I would have hugged you."

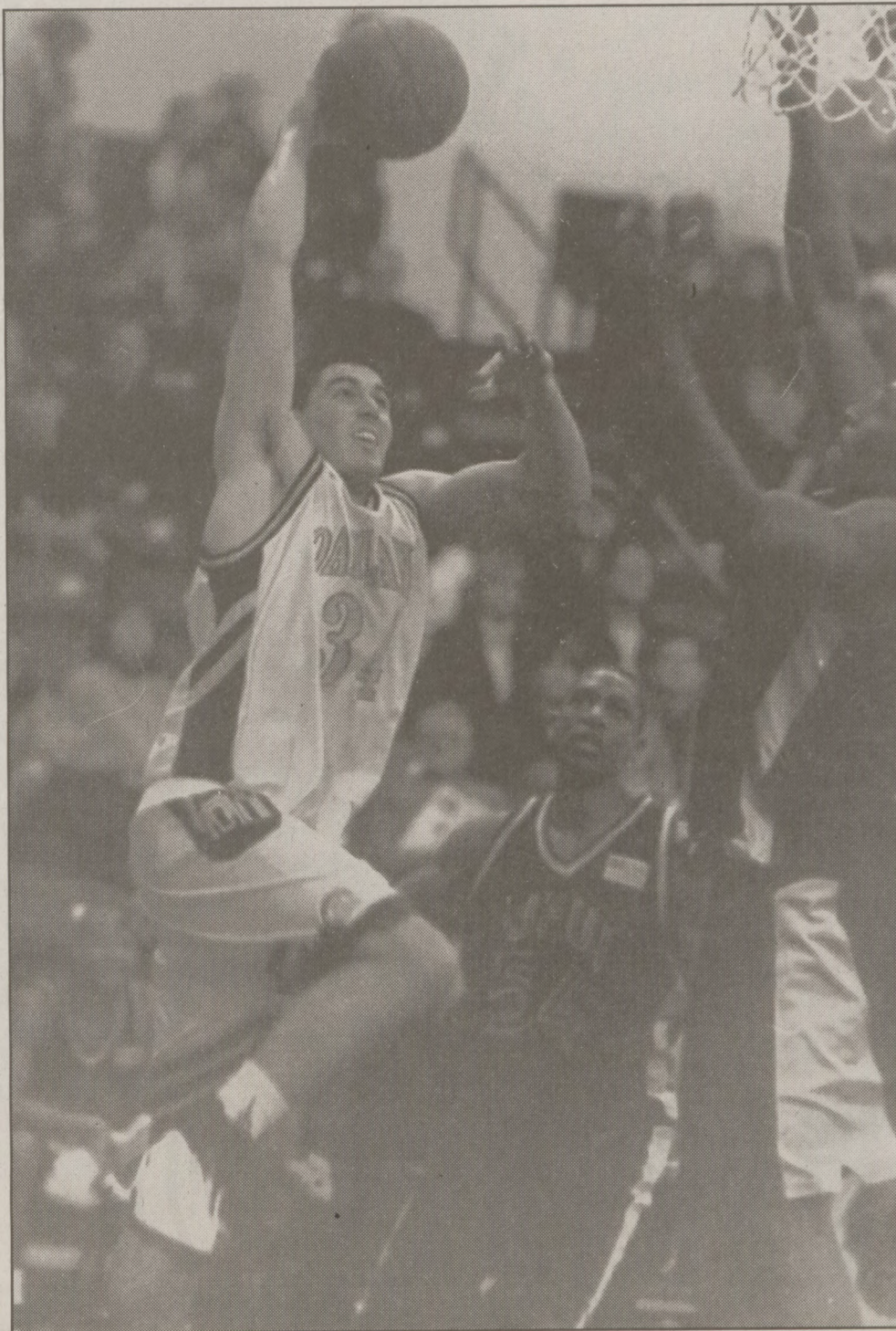
OU has improved its record to 9-3 in the conference and has a chance to win 20 games if it wins at least one of the next two games and sweeps through the conference tournament.

The Grizzlies are 0-7 lifetime against Valpo, but they have held substantial leads in the past. The problem has been holding the lead. Twice in two years Valpo has stormed back to win after falling behind by double-digits. Last year at Valpo the Grizzlies watched the Crusaders build leads of up to twenty points, before eventually losing by 32.

OU also lost senior Jason Rozycki for the season in the game.

The only thing the Grizzlies won was a fight between Jon Champagne and Phil Wille.

The battlefield is set for the grudge match of the Mid-Con.



**HARD TO THE LANE:** Brad Buddenborg attempts a dunk against IUPUI in a game earlier this season. Buddenborg had 22 points in the rematch this weekend, second only to Mike Helms' 23. The Grizzlies look to continue their winning ways when they travel to Valparaiso Thursday and then move on Western Illinois Saturday.

Bob Knoska / File Photo

## Teams psyched for upcoming NIC meet

By Lisa Cali  
MANAGING EDITOR

Some college students travel to Florida on spring break, others to Mexico. This spring break, however, swim teams from all over the nation will brave Michigan's cold weather to compete in the National Independent Conference championship, being held in the OU Aquatics Center Feb. 28-Mar. 2.

The NIC championship meet marks the end of the regular season for the Grizzlies, and is where the team strives each year to post its best times and send swimmers to the NCAA Division I championship meet.

Head coach Pete Hovland said he is looking forward to the meet because of the high level of competition this year.

"The team races are so close," Hovland said. "I think it will be more interesting this year. I think the meet will make for a real exciting, down to the wire type finish that will raise the

performance level for the athletes."

According to Hovland, defending champion on the men's side, Southern Methodist University, will be looking to repeat and is picked as the hands-down favorite by all teams in the conference.

"As the defending champs, we should be considered the favorites in the men," said SMU head coach Eddie Sinnott. "Our goals are to qualify for NCAAs in all five relays, and we believe there are 10 guys capable of qualifying individually."

On the women's side, the race for the championship is much tighter. Defending champion,



**TAKE A DEEP BREATH:** Danielle Ward swims her token freestyle race earlier in the season. According to coach Pete Hovland, Ward is one of many swimmers who has a chance of qualifying for the NCAA Division I championship based on her performance at the upcoming NIC championship.

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University of Cincinnati, graduated some key seniors, making its lineup weaker.

#### NIC meet schedule

• **Thursday, Feb. 28**  
Swimming prelims 11 a.m.  
Diving prelims 2 p.m.  
Finals 6:30 p.m.

• **Friday, March 1**  
Swimming prelims 10 a.m.  
Diving prelims 2 p.m.  
Finals 6:30 p.m.

• **Saturday, March 2**  
Diving prelims 8 a.m.  
Swimming prelims 10 a.m.  
Diving finals 2 p.m.  
Swimming finals 6:30 p.m.

Northern Arizona head coach Andy Johns agreed with Hovland that the competition will be tight.

"I see it as a real toss-up on the women's side between any of the five teams," Johns said.

Because the competition level at this year's meet will be so high, Hovland said that OU is looking to its "home court advantage" as a factor in the team's performance.

"You hear it in sports all the time, and you can see how the Americans are doing in the Olympics right now," Hovland said. "There's a home field advantage with all the fans and familiarity, and being able to train on those courses prior to everyone else. It's huge. You can't put a price on that."

OU swimmers will also have the luxury of sleeping in their own beds, being close to home and knowing their surroundings. Many of the teams, like Hawaii, have to fly in days early to get acclimated to the surroundings and time change.

Even though OU has the home advantage, the swimmers have been training day in and day out to perfect their races for the meet.

For the five weeks prior to the meet, the swimmers begin a tapering period that saves their energy and repairs any stress put on their bodies throughout

the season.

According to Hovland, the tapering period is something every swim team does because it gives the swimmers the needed energy to perform in a championship setting.

"When you get this close to the meet, it's basically just fine-tuning a lot of things," Hovland said. "They're working on their paces, relay combinations and exchanges. We'll do a couple of practices in the evening to simulate coming back for the finals at night so they can acclimate their body clocks to the actual times they'll be competing."

Assistant coach Jon Teal said that the teams are right where the coaching staff expects them to be about a week before the meet begins.

"You can't have anything but confidence going into a big meet like this," Teal said. "The coaching staff has no reason to feel like we won't do great at the meet. We've put in the work and all the training has been very good. I think we're going to do great, and I'm really excited."

Other coaches seem to agree that the Grizzlies have a chance

to perform well at the meet. University of Hawaii coach Mike Anderson said that OU "should be well prepared and ready to rock."

Arizona's Johns said OU has a lot of things in its favor, including "home pool, good coaches and good talent."

According to Teal, the one thing the swimmers have to remember is that they are ready, physically, and need to stay mentally strong.

"The seniors and captains have a big role in that they have to lead by how they perform in the pool, as well as, be mental leaders," Teal said. "The meet is three days long, and sometimes you have a bad swim. Their leadership in how they react to a bad swim is just as important as how they react to a good swim."

For Tamara Swaby, a senior and captain, this will mark her last NIC championship. Her advice for those younger swimmers is that confidence is the biggest factor in a good performance.

"We've practiced and trained really hard, so (the swimmers) can't get too nervous," Swaby said.

Teammate Danielle Ward agreed, saying "you'll swim faster the more fun you're having, and everything else will fall into place."

Hovland, Teal and competing schools coaches' all said they feel this year should be an exceptional one for all people involved.

"As with any college championship, the best thing about it is the atmosphere that is created when young people who are loyal to a cause get together and put it on the line for each other," Sinnott said. "It is something that really cannot be described, effectively, in words. It has to be experienced. Oakland's facility is excellent for creating this type of environment and I expect this year's meet to be a great one in that respect."

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# Streak snapped in brutal loss

By Brendan Stevens  
THE OAKLAND POST

After snapping its six-game winning streak with a loss against IUPUI Saturday, 82-52, the OU women's basketball team is looking to close out the regular season and head into the Mid-Con conference tournament on a positive note.

Not much went right for the Grizzlies against the Jaguars in the lopsided loss. OU held only once lead in 40 minutes, shot just 34 percent from the field and were out-rebounded 51-24 in the game.

"IUPUI did a nice job with their defensive strategy," said coach Beckie Francis. "They really took Sarah Judd (senior, forward) out of the game. She didn't score in the first half."

"Normally the bench can step up, but we just missed some shots, coupled with an extremely hot shooting (IUPUI) team."

Six blocks by Judd and nine team steals were not enough to propel the Grizzlies past a hungry IUPUI team.

The Jaguars shot 11 for 13 from three-point range, including a four for six effort by senior forward Amy Frey, which made it too difficult for OU to close the margin.

OU junior guard Katie Wolfe had 15 points and four rebounds, while Judd contributed 12 points, all coming in the second half, and eight boards. Senior guard Lori Kipp was the third leading scorer for the Grizzlies, but did not reach double figures, scoring nine points.

The Jaguars had five women in double figures, including a game-high 24 for senior IUPUI guard Amber Holle. Junior forward Tiffany Kyser led the Jaguars' dominance on the glass grabbing 17 rebounds, 16 of which were defensive boards.

With two games remaining in the regular season, OU looks to shrug off the road loss and resume its winning ways to finish up.

"Our expectations are to improve," Francis said. "We have a tough, tough road assignment."

The Grizzlies finish up the season with road games against Western Illinois on Saturday and Valparaiso on Monday.

"Western Illinois is on a win streak," Francis said. "They just beat Oral Roberts, at Oral Roberts. Western Illinois knows that we beat them here, and they probably aren't too happy about that."

With those two tough games remaining, Francis is focusing on returning to the form that enabled the six-game winning streak.

"We're focusing on regrouping and improving on our rebounding," Francis said. "We had been outrebounding teams five out of the last five games. We got to get back to what helped us get on our six game win-streak, and what put us in second place (in the Mid-Con)."

OU has two games remaining, both to be played on the road, and currently stands at 8-4 in the Mid-Con with a 14-11 overall record.

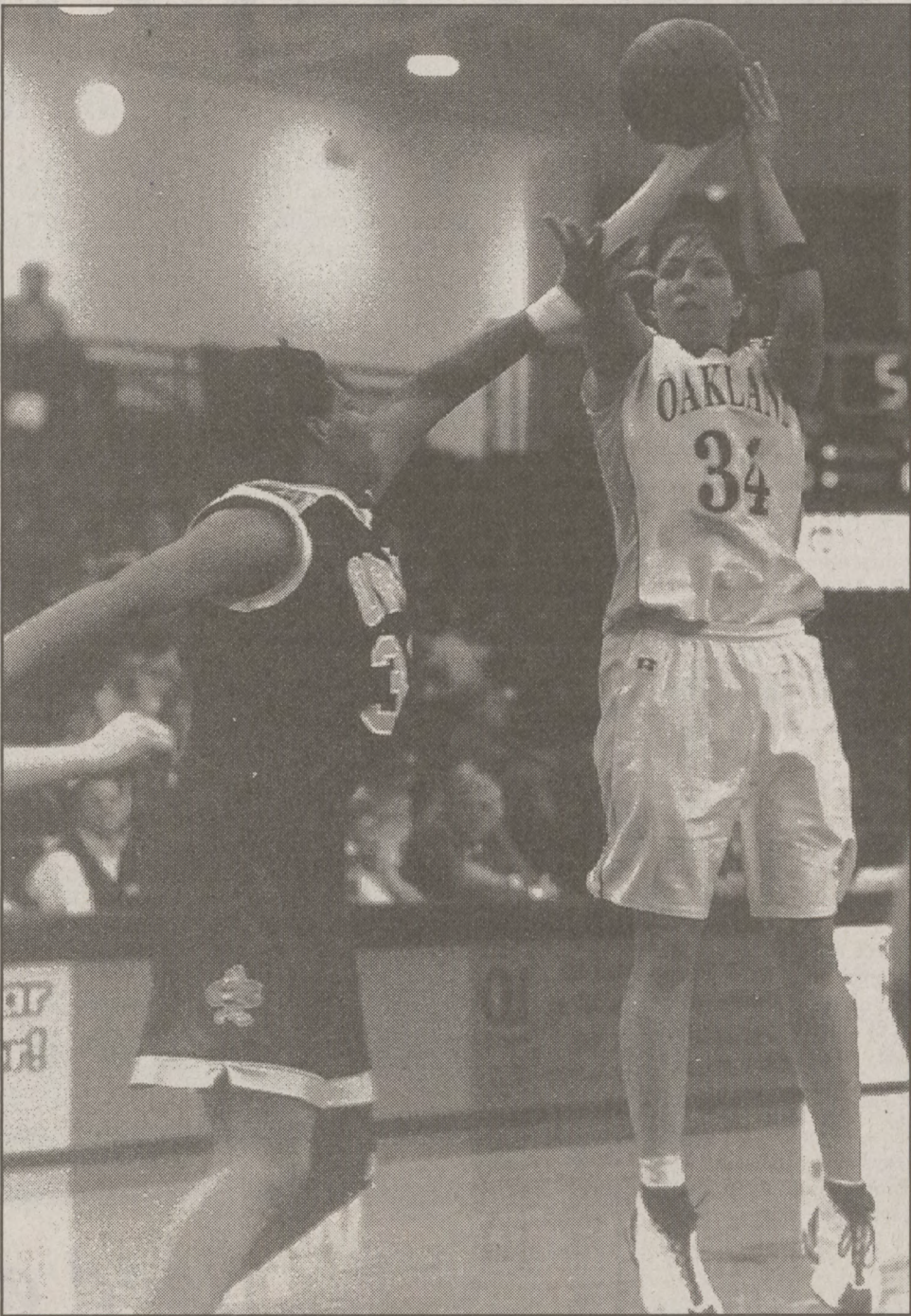
With two victories, the Grizzlies will finish second in the Mid-Con, but any other combination of wins and losses can put OU as far back as fifth. The Grizzlies' position in the Mid-Con at the end of the season will determine its seeding for the Mid-Con tournament.

Although the Grizzlies cannot overtake Valparaiso in the Mid-Con standings, Monday's game will be a building block for the women going into the Mid-Con tournament. The past two years, OU has gone into the post-season championship as the number one seed but have not yet captured the tournament title.

The added pressure of a number one seed may have been too much for an OU team still making the transition to the Division I level, so the inability to surpass Valparaiso in the standings may actually be a blessing in disguise for the Grizzlies.

"We're getting really excited (for the Mid-Con tournament)," said Francis. "We've never gone not being the number one seed, so maybe it's less pressure."

The Mid-Con tournament begins on Saturday Mar. 2 for the women. Times are yet to be determined, with the season still drawing to a close. The tournament will take place at the War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The championship game is set for Tuesday Mar. 5.



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RIISING TO THE OCCASSION: Sarah Judd shoots the jumper in her final home game, a defeat of Oral Roberts. Judd and the Grizzlies look to get back on the winning path before heading to the Mid-Con tournament in early March.

Marianne Poulin

guest columnist

## Don't try this at home

I read in the paper that MSU gave varsity letters to women who competed in sports before 1980.

Back in the days, before Title IX, women did not receive letters for competing in sports. That got me thinking.

In 1977, OU had a team of Winter Olympic hopefuls training on the back hill by Varner Hall. I should know, I was on that team.

We were a group of rebels, not recognized by the university or the Olympic committee. In fact, most of our training took place late at night, under the cover of darkness, just so we wouldn't be expelled. But we were a feisty group of athletes in the purest sense.

But sadly, we were ahead of our time.

Tom was our captain, though in those days he didn't like being labeled. Prior to the mid-1980s, power was something confined to a V-8 engine. He just liked to light up and layback.

But Tom was smart, and he figured out that the food trays from Vandenberg Hall dining room made the perfect bobsled.

Word soon spread among the underground on campus that Olympic practice was being held at "midnight on the hill."

Hundreds of students turned out to go for the gold. Well, actually, only 20 students turned out.

We had bobsled competitions (one person on a tray, sitting upright), luge (one person laying down, feet first), skeleton (lying down, head first) and two-man luge and skeleton (but it was a coed competition).

Some of the more daring students put a tray under each foot and tried to ride the trays down the hill standing upright, like on skis.

It didn't work well, until Tom tried it using only one tray. He found a new sport. He called it snow-traying.

Oh, if he only had patented his idea, he would be rich right now, instead of hawking hot dogs on the corner of University Drive and Main.

And if the university would have taken us seriously, instead of yelling at us to return the trays, they could have been sitting on a franchising gold mine.

I watch the Olympics on television - the downhill, the bobsled, the luge - and I remember back to a day when life was simpler, tuition was less, and snowboarding was a dream yet to be hatched in the mind of an Olympian.

Marianne Poulin is a columnist for The Post. Send comments to oakpost@oakland.edu.

# GMHL semifinalists look to ACHA tourney

## Win over Spartans sets tone for nationals

By Randy Dudek  
THE OAKLAND POST

The men's club hockey team looks to take the momentum from their semi-finals appearance in last weekend's Greater Midwest Hockey League (GMHL) playoffs into the final challenge of the season, the Division II National Championship tournament of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA).

OU's first opponent was Michigan State, who took both regular season games from OU.

MSU took the lead early on in the first two periods, but both times OU bounced back. Eric Wojno scored in the first and Carmello Russo notched the second period goal. Brandon Marineau and Derek Sneideraitis scored in the final period as OU held on for a 4-3 victory, and a berth in the GMHL semi-finals against Miami-Ohio. Shaun Zeldes made 34 saves and got the win in net.

"To beat MSU after losing twice to them was uplifting," Zeldes said, "it was cool to beat them."

"To have Derek score that goal was uplifting. That was probably the biggest goal he's ever scored at OU, and it's good for the team to be getting goals from guys other than our big scorers."

The semi-final contest against Miami-Ohio didn't go quite as well for OU, with

the ClubHawks picking up an 8-2 victory. Zeldes and Ryan DeLuio split time in net as Miami-Ohio registered 37 shots on goal, to OU's 24. Russo and Geoff Acree picked up OU's goals.

While Oakland was able to give Miami-Ohio tough fights in their regular season meetings, OU spent most of this game with men in the penalty box, and were unable to contain the ClubHawk attack.

"In a way, I think the loss could work to our advantage. Miami might blow us off, assuming that they will beat us," Zeldes said.

"Other than this last one, our games with them have been pretty close, and if everyone is on their game, we should be able to bring the game down to the wire."

Including the GMHL tournament, OU finished the season with a 13-11-4 record, including games against some varsity competition. They have been playing their best hockey as of late, securing big wins down the stretch to earn an ACHA playoff spot.

Oakland gets its last crack at Miami-Ohio, the 2000 ACHA Division II champion and 2002 GMHL runner-up, when the clubs square off at 10 a.m. on Feb. 27. Miami-Ohio is the only team that Oakland has

ever played and not beaten at least once.

Oakland's second tournament game will be Thursday, Feb. 28 against the champions of the Rocky Mountain Collegiate Hockey Association, the Raging Bulls of Utah State University. USU is making its sixth straight ACHA tournament appearance, and finished the season as the number two ranked team in the West Region ending up with a record of 19-4-1.

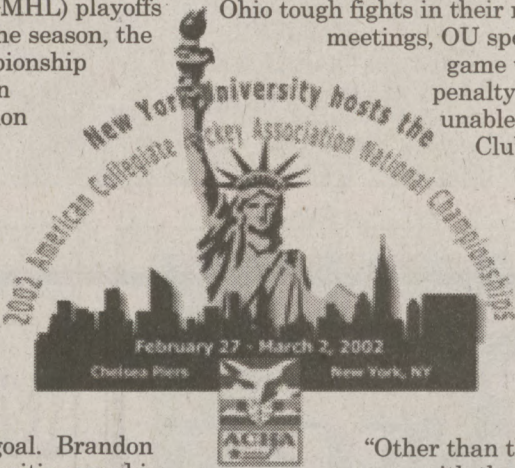
Friday, Mar. 1, OU plays the last of its round-robin opponents, the State University of New York-Stony Brook Sea Wolves, the number three ranked team in the Northeast Region.

SUNY-Stony Brook finished the regular season with a 13-4-2, ranking third in the Super East Collegiate Hockey League. The Sea Wolves are making their second appearance in the national tournament.

After the completion of the round-robin portion of the tournament, the top teams from each pool face off in the semifinals, Saturday, Mar. 3 at 9:45 a.m. Then the two remaining teams will face off for the ACHA championship at 7:30 p.m. that same night.

All tournament games will be held at the Sky Rink at Chelsea Piers in New York City.

In other club hockey news, the OU team voted on and handed out team awards. Zeldes was voted Team MVP, Wojno, Sean Trueblood and Scott Marlinga shared the title of best defensive forward, Dan Olesky was voted best offensive defenseman. Rob Wishaw was selected 'most gentlemanly player', and Karl Borgquist took home the award for hardest checker.



## Women's Recaps

- On Friday night, the women's hockey club opened a two-game set against Western Michigan by shutting out the Mustangs 4-0. Laura Owczarski nabbed the game-winning goal. Jenny Bernhart, Amanda Pietras and Kristen Czamecki added late goals. Goaltender Erin Gleason made 12 saves in route to her fourth victory of the season.
- Saturday night the same two teams got together, and OU left with another 4-0 victory. Bernhart scored two more goals and Owczarski contributed another goal and an assist. Gleason made 13 saves for her second shutout of the year.

# MID-CONTINENT CONFERENCE STANDINGS

MEN'S BASKETBALL	UMKC	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	IUPUI
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10-2	14-10	11-1	10-14
20-7	IUPUI	20-5	Chicago State
Oakland	5-7	Oakland	4-8
9-3	12-13	8-4	8-16
16-11	Western Illinois	14-11	Southern Utah
Oral Roberts	3-9	Western Illinois	4-8
9-3	12-13	6-6	UMKC
15-12	Chicago State	13-11	3-9
Southern Utah	0-12	Oral Roberts	7-18
7-5	2-22	6-6	
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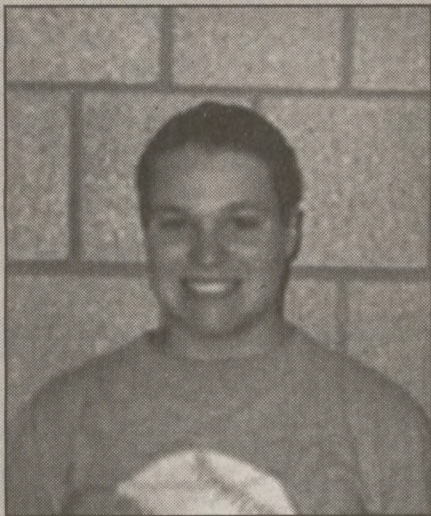
First stat represents the team's conference rank. The second is the overall rank.

# GRIZZLY OF THE WEEK

## ERIN GLEASON

In last weekend's games against Western Michigan, Gleason helped backstop the Polar Bears to two consecutive shutout victories over the Mustangs. In Friday night's game, she made 12 saves and turned aside 13 shots in Saturday's rematch. OU won both games 4-0.

-Randy Dudek





# A Student AFFAIRS

## Updating OU

### Student Leadership Opportunity!

Apply now for the position of Student Liaison to the OU Board of Trustees. Deadline is March 29, 2002. The liaisons attend all meetings of the OU Board of Trustees in order to represent student interests on university issues. Applications are available in 144 Oakland Center.

**Winter Semester Recruiting (update):** Employers scheduled to interview for graduating students during the 4th week of on-campus recruiting (March 4-8, following winter recess) will include **Bank One** (Retail Management Development Program), **Doeren Mayhew & Co., P.C.** (Consultant), **General Motors Metal Fabricating Division** (Tool & Die Manager), **PPOM** (Network Analysis) and **Quicken Loans** (Web Center Loan Consultant). Students must be registered w/**Placement & Career Services** (275 Vandenberg Hall West) to participate in on-campus interviewing. For more information, visit our web site @ <http://phoenix.placement.oakland.edu>, or call 370-3250.

### Fun in the Sun!

Going to Florida, Cancun, Bahamas or Panama for spring break? Here are some simple guidelines from the Michigan Dermatological Society to help protect your skin while enjoying the sunshine:

- **Minimize** sun exposure during the hours of 10 AM to 2 PM.
- **Apply** sunscreen before every exposure to the sun; SPF 15 or greater is recommended; reapply every two hours. Change sunscreens if you develop an allergic reaction to one.
- **Photosensitivity**, an increased sensitivity to sun exposure, is a possible side effect of certain medications, drugs, cosmetics and birth control pills.
- **Beware** of reflective surfaces. Sand, snow, concrete and water can reflect more than half the sun's rays onto your skin.
- **Avoid** tanning parlors. The UV light causes sunburn, premature aging and increases your risk of developing skin cancer.

### Need a tutor?

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### Experiential Education

**Placement & Career Services' Experiential Education** holds 30 minute information sessions twice a week in 158 West Vandenberg Hall for students interested in an internship, co-op, or career-related position. Information about positions available, resumes, interviewing and how to use Experiential Education to find a position is presented. Coordinators are available to talk with students on a one-to-one basis after attendance at an information session. **The remaining schedule for February is: Wednesday, February 13, 1 PM, Monday, February 18, 11 AM and Thursday, February 21, 4 PM.**

### Campus Rec Happenings

**Rec Center Winter Recess Hours (February 22-March 4, 2002):**

- Friday, Feb. 22, 6am-8pm
- Saturday, Feb. 23, 9am-8pm
- Sunday, Feb. 24, noon-8pm
- Monday, Feb. 25-Thurs., Feb. 28, 6am-9pm
- Friday, March 1, 6am-8pm
- Saturday, March 2, 9am-8pm
- Sunday, March 3, noon-8pm

**Family FREE Day**—We had a blast last Saturday, February 16th during Family Recreation Exercise Extravaganza. If you missed it, don't be sorry. We'll have another one on March 16th. Plan on participating.

**Come Watch All-Star Basketball**—All-Star Basketball season is going on and there are games on Monday and Tuesday nights from 7-10 PM. The all-star basketball takes place downstairs at the Rec Center at court 1 and 2. Bring your friends and come watch the all-star basketball league.

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(4-8 PM) and March 23 (9 AM-8 PM)

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**Water Polo**—Now offered as a club sport on Monday and Thursday nights from 8-9 PM. For more information, contact Todd Losey, president at [oaklandwaterpolo@hotmail.com](mailto:oaklandwaterpolo@hotmail.com).

**You can always check our web page at**

[www.oakland.edu/unit/campus\\_rec](http://www.oakland.edu/unit/campus_rec) to see fitness schedules, intramural schedules and stats, information about special events and much more.

## This Week

### Graham Counseling Center

Are you losing a lot of weight? Are you intensely dissatisfied with your body? Are you fasting and exercising excessively? Do you binge and purge? Do you know anyone who does? Are you interested in learning about body image problems and eating disorders? **Sign up to participate or just come in to the Eating Disorders Screening Program** sponsored by the Counseling Center on Wednesday, February 20 at 10 AM or 1 PM. For more information, please contact the Counseling Center at 370-3464.

## Upcoming Events

### Attention International Students

#### International Student Employment Seminars

Friday, March 8, 3 PM, Lake Michigan Room, OC—F1 & J1 immigration status

**International Tax Seminar** for students in F1 and J1 immigration status that must file 2001 taxes will be **Friday, March 1, 1 PM** or **Friday, March 22, 3 PM**, both in Lake Michigan Room, OC

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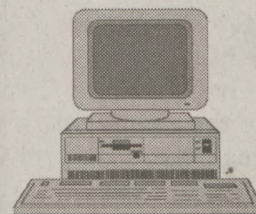
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# OU bids adieu to seniors

**Sarah Judd**  
Forward  
  
5-11  
  
Hometown: Eastpointe  
  
High School: Harper Woods Regina HS  
  
Major: Liberal Arts

**Career Bests:**

- Points:**  
34 vs. Chicago State  
**Field Goals:**  
14 vs. Liberty  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
4 vs. UMKC  
**Free Throws:**  
10 vs. San Diego  
**Rebounds:**  
17 vs. Central Michigan  
**Assists:**  
9 vs. Rochester  
**Blocks:**  
5 twice - most recently vs. Southern Utah  
**Steals:**  
5 vs. Eastern Michigan

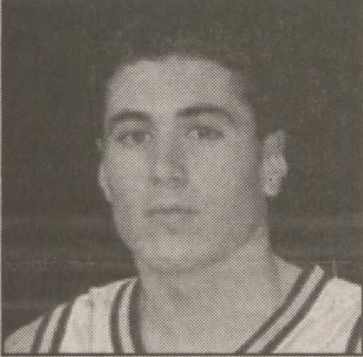


SAYING GOODBYE: Seniors Sarah Judd (left) and Lori Kipp (right) smile for the camera in the O'rena after defeating Oral Roberts in their final home game at OU.

**Lori Kipp**  
Guard  
  
Height: 5-7  
  
Hometown: Phoenix, Arizona  
  
High School/ College: Marcos 'de Niza HS/ Phoenix College  
  
Major: Business management information systems

**Career Bests:**

- Points:**  
11 vs. Nebraska  
**Field Goals:**  
5 vs. Nebraska  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
2 vs. Central Michigan  
**Free Throws:**  
4 vs. Youngstown State  
**Rebounds:**  
6 vs. Louisville  
**Assists:**  
11 vs. Southern Utah  
**Steals:**  
3 vs. Chicago State



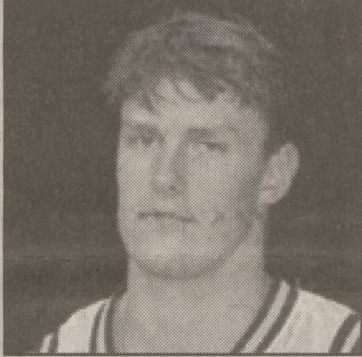
**Brad Buddenborg**  
Guard  
  
Height: 6-5  
Weight: 210  
  
Hometown: Garden City  
  
High School: Garden City  
  
Major: Elementary Education

**Career Bests:**

**Points:**  
43 vs. UMKC  
**Field Goals:**  
13 vs. UMKC  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
8 twice - most recently vs. UMKC

**Free Throws:**  
12 vs. UMKC  
**Rebounds:**  
12 vs. UM-Dearborn  
**Assists:**  
7 vs. UMKC

**Blocks:**  
3 vs. Oral Roberts  
**Steals:**  
4 three times -- most recently vs. UMKC



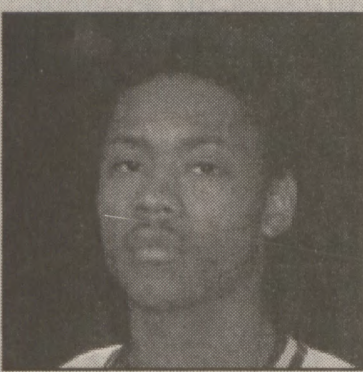
**Dan Champagne**  
Forward  
  
Height: 6-7  
Weight: 220  
  
Hometown: Linden  
  
High School: Linden HS  
  
Degree: Communication

**Career Bests:**

**Points:**  
36 vs. Spring Arbor  
**Field Goals:**  
13 twice -- most recently vs. Youngstown State

**Free Throws:**  
10 vs. Spring Arbor  
**Rebounds:**  
12 (3 times) -- most recently vs. Chicago State

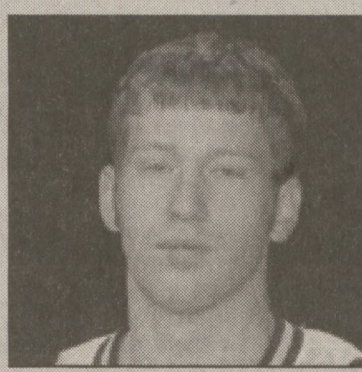
**Assists:**  
5 vs. Spring Arbor  
**Steals:**  
4 vs. Michigan  
**Blocks:**  
3 vs. Western Illinois



**Mychal Covington**  
Guard  
  
Height: 6-4  
Weight: 175  
  
Hometown: Pontiac  
  
High School: Pontiac Northern  
  
Major: Communication

**Career Bests:**

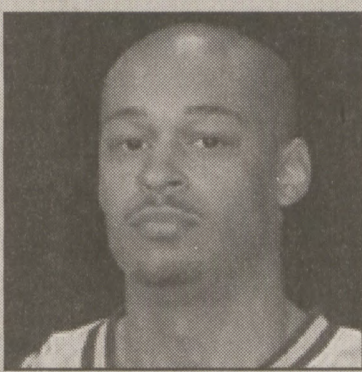
**Points:**  
23 vs. Akron  
**Field Goals:**  
7 three times - most recently vs. Western Illinois  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
4 twice -- most recently vs. Hawaii Pacific  
**Free Throws:**  
6 twice -- most recently vs. Akron  
**Rebounds:**  
11 vs. Northwestern  
**Assists:**  
12 vs. UMKC  
**Steals:**  
3 vs. Oral Roberts



**Jason Rozycki**  
Guard  
  
Height: 6-3  
Weight: 190  
  
Hometown: Boyne City  
  
High School: Boyne  
  
Major: Communication

**Career Bests:**

**Points:**  
37 vs. Youngstown State  
**Field Goals:**  
11 (2 times) -- most recently vs. UMKC  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
9 vs. Western Illinois  
**Free Throws:**  
18 vs. Wright State (school record)  
**Rebounds:**  
8 twice - most recently vs. UMKC  
**Assists:**  
8 vs. Michigan  
**Steals:**  
4 vs. Toledo



**Ryan Willams**  
Guard  
  
Height: 6-1  
Weight: 195  
  
Hometown: Toledo, Ohio  
  
High School: Start HS  
  
Degree: Sociology

**Career Bests:**

**Points:**  
14 vs. Concordia  
**Field Goals:**  
4 vs. Concordia  
**3-Point Field Goals:**  
1 seven times -- most recently vs. Concordia  
**Free Throws:**  
8 vs. Southern Utah  
**Rebounds:**  
8 vs. Concordia  
**Assists:**  
2 four times -- most recently vs. Akron  
**Steals:**  
4 vs. Southern Utah

## U.S. comes out with the gold despite disappointing finish for OU student

**By Brendan Stevens**  
SPORTS EDITOR

In the first annual women's bobsled event at the Winter Olympics, OU student Jean Racine, freshman, performing arts, finished fifth with the help of brake-woman Gea Johnson.

Considered the top bobsledding pair for the U.S., Racine and Johnson were plagued by controversy throughout these 2002 Olympics.

Just a week before the U.S. Olympic trails in mid-December, Racine dropped former brake-woman and friend Jen Davidson from her position. Racine

joined with Johnson and the two quickly became close to set a Utah Olympic Park track record at their first competition together, the U.S. trails.

Racine's switch of brake-woman is a move regularly done in men's bobsledding, but she still received much criticism for the decision. Davidson's anger with the decision went as far as the U.S. Olympic Committee, where it was finally ruled that Racine's decision was legitimate.

Once the distraction of Davidson was removed, Racine and Johnson looked to concentrate on defeating the two German bobsledding pairs, Racine's

toughest competition. But Racine's problems did not end there.

Just three days before competition, Johnson suffered a hamstring pull and her health became a question mark. There was even speculation of a reuniting of Racine and Davidson, that rumor was quickly dispelled by the U.S. Olympic Committee.

Johnson was able to run, however, and the less than 100 percent duo managed a fifth place finish.

The U.S. still managed to capture the gold, with a surprise performance by the U.S.'s second team of Jill Bakken and Vonetta Flowers. The tandem won the

gold in the inaugural women's bobsled event, and ended a 46-year old drought in the sport for the U.S. Bakken and Flowers had the fastest runs in both heats, and captured the top spot with a combined time of 1 minute and 37.76 seconds.

Germany took both the silver and bronze medals with the pair of Sandra Prokoff and Urtike Holzner captured second and Susi-Lisa Erdmann and Nicole Herschmann finishing third.

With two more medals to the U.S.'s one widened Germany's margin to 28-20 in the medal race. Germany has captured eight golds, 13 silvers and seven

bronzes, while the U.S. Olympic squad has earned five golds, eight silvers and seven bronzes.

With five more days remaining in the Winter Olympic games, the U.S. has already reached its expected goal of 20 medals and only looks to add to that total.

Among other sports, the U.S. has high hopes of medaling in both men and women's ice hockey, figure skating and speed skating. And with the recent trend of surprise victories, the U.S. Olympic squad can easily surpass the medal hopes that were set before the games began.





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Center for Student Activities – 49 Oakland Center

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For questions, please call: 248-370-4200

## Horoscopes

Some of the drama from last week comes to a close, though it may not be the type of ending that we want. Positively, life is ripe for change, so this is the time to make moves. Ironically, we may have a heightened fear of losing control, which may prevent us from making any changes at all. Other people's support helps, so let your confidantes in on your feelings.

### ♈ Aries

There are some serious opportunities for you already; avoid trying too hard to get things done or you may end up losing what you have. Relax and think before starting anything new this week.

### ♉ Taurus

Make time to yourself this week. A sensitive issue may resurface, but now you have another opportunity to deal with it.

### ♊ Gemini

You may be thinking some strange stuff right now; don't be afraid to express your more unusual side. Your intuition is better than your logic.

### ♋ Cancer

Things that are out of hand early in the week will settle down by the weekend. Worrying about a situation isn't helping.

### ♌ Leo

You're not in control of things, but that doesn't mean that good opportunities aren't there. This is a great time to do some traveling or explore different cultures.

### ♍ Virgo

You're thinking differently this week, so take another look at problems you haven't been able to solve. Focus on doing things you've been considering for a while.

### ♎ Libra

Balance between being too ambitious and too cautious, as both ways will make you miss opportunities. Spend some time getting your feelings in order.

### ♏ Scorpio

Try to wrap up some things that you started last week. Don't be afraid to back off on something that is too much for you; you'll probably be thankful if you do.

### ♐ Sagittarius

It will get easier to make major changes in your life as the week goes on. It's okay to explore your sensitive side, but don't let your fears get the best of you.

### ♑ Capricorn

Tell other people how you feel; otherwise they may not know where you are coming from. Don't let confusion over an emotional issue prevent you from dealing with it.

### ♒ Aquarius

Take a look at a money issue you haven't been dealing with. Things slow down by the end of the week, so this is a good time to work on stabilizing your life.

### ♓ Pisces

You've got the insight necessary to take care of business, but you need to avoid idealizing things. You have a little bit more control by the end of the week, so take advantage.

Oakland University alum Damon Brown has studied the occult for ten years. A Chicago-based freelance writer, Damon currently contributes to Playboy.com, MSN.com, and The Source. He can be reached via his website at [www.geocities.com/nomadgames/](http://www.geocities.com/nomadgames/).

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• "Bee-luther-hatchee" is currently playing at Meadow Brook Theatre. Call the box office today at 248.370.3300 for tickets.

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• Get a taste of different cultures at the Multicultural Open House hosted by the School of Business and the Multicultural Business Students Alliance at 3 p.m. on Thur., Feb. 21 in rooms 128-130 in the Oakland Center.

• Want to study abroad? Attend an informational session detailing life abroad in France at 1 p.m. today in Lake Superior B in the OC.

## SHOWS

• Heads get ready. The Scratch Tour is coming. Featuring the hip hop stylings of Dilated Peoples, Afrika Bambaata, 2-Trip and DJ Craze. Doors open at 8 p.m. on Thur, Mar. 14 at St. Andrew's Hall. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

• Jazz legend Herbie Hancock cruises into Detroit to play a show at 8 p.m. on Sat. Mar. 23 at St. Andrew's Hall. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations.

• If you're feeling sinister, make sure to catch the psychedelic tinged folk-pop of Scottish quintet Belle and Sebastien. The group will be playing at 7:30 p.m. on Fri. May 10 at the State Theatre in Detroit. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

• The Wu-Tang Clan will be bringing the ruckus at 7:30 p.m. on Sun., Mar. 24, at the State Theatre. Tickets are available at Ticketmaster.

Prejudice  
and the  
Bee

By Christine L. Mobley  
THE OAKLAND POST

"Bee-luther-hatchee" is an intriguing, racially charged drama now playing at Meadow Brook Theatre through March 10. The play tells the story of Princeton graduate Shelita Burns, who has made a name for herself as an editor in New York's publishing world with the unyielding success of a non-fiction work called "Bee-luther-hatchee" written by an elusive 72-year-old African-American author named Libby Price.

Burns (Monica J. Palmer) despite her success, is in her own personal hell as she searches for the author of the book which has had such an impact on her life. Burns' chip on her shoulder becomes more evident as the play progresses through conversations and outings with her friend, Anna (Katherine Mester).

As Burns' searches for Libby Price (Jacqueline Jones), she feels betrayed, not only as an editor but as a woman for the deceit that it would seem Libby has perpetrated. Christopher Howe, an OU alum, plays *New York Times* reporter Brian Clark, who interviews Burns about "Bee-luther-hatchee." As Anna and Burns discuss the review over breakfast, Burns' insecurities are slowly exposed. Robert, also played by Howe, is shown with Libby in a flashback that will leave the audience questioning what their relationship truly is.

At the end of the first act, the mysterious author, much to Burns' dismay, is revealed.

Sean Leonard (John Biedenbach) adds another element to this already puzzling tale. Who he is and his relationship with Libby will leave the audience wanting an explanation, if they haven't already figured it out for themselves.

The second act reveals the truths and unravels the lives of two of the characters. A reporter's right to tell a story is scrutinized but never answered adequately. Deception, while not the correct way to deal with the world's prejudices, is a theme throughout the second act. Understanding, however, is not.

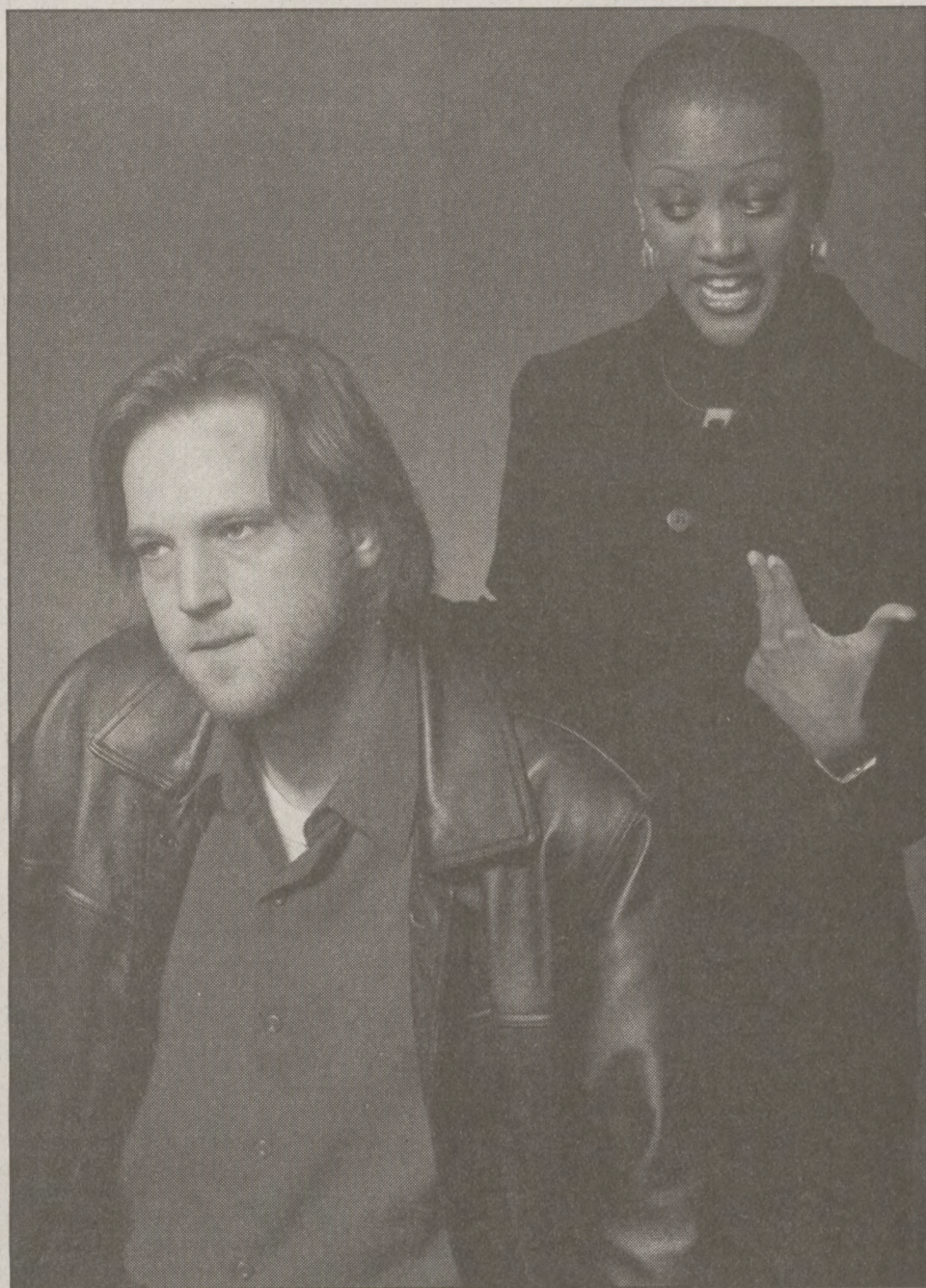
The uncomfortable topics, not to mention the blatant use of obscene language for shock value makes one shift in their seat wanting to escape to somewhere else.

This story of cultural appropriation only succeeds in bringing forth the prejudices present in the main character. Burns has never experienced anything more trying than her abandonment by a mother she never knew. She speaks of experiences that only African-Americans are allowed to identify with and call their own.

Although the writing leaves something to be desired, the portrayals of the characters are solid. For a play to evoke emotion from an audience should be a credit to the cast for its unflinching performances.

Debra L. Wicks directs "Bee-luther-hatchee," with set design by Peter W. Hicks.

Tickets are available through the Meadow Brook Theatre box office, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., or by calling 248.370.3300.



SHOCK VALUE: John Biedenbach and Monica J. Palmer star in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "Bee-luther-hatchee."

Photo courtesy of Meadow Brook Theatre

## Seafood a real delight at Third Wave

By Ashlyn Cates  
THE OAKLAND POST

The walls are adorned with fish, not real fish of course, but those contained in massive sea murals lining the left and right of the dining room. Vibrant colors bring ocean ambiance to those dining at the Third Wave Seafood and Chop House in Oxford.

Opening its doors just before Christmas, Third Wave has already carved out a niche. Fishing harpoons and other nautical implements placed decoratively contribute to a convincing sea dwelling. Tall windows create a sense of openness. Perhaps the most noticeable feature is the stained glass windows found on all sides of the restaurant. Music helps to lessen the stress from a hard day's work and creates a relaxing mood while eating.

With soup, sandwiches and especially seafood, finding something to satisfy a particular craving is not difficult at the Third Wave. There are a wide variety of seafood dishes including shellfish like shrimp, scallops, crab and different varieties—lake and ocean. Prices range from \$9.95 for pasta dishes, while high end entrees like lobster cost as much as \$27.95.

Those looking for a taste of the sea will pay accordingly. Seafood prices range from the basic fish entrée to the most expensive lobster and crab legs.



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FROM ABOVE: Third Wave Seafood and Chophouse provides a versatile menu including many of the finest varieties of seafood and beef. The restaurant has much of its seafood flown in fresh daily.

The main bar offers a barrage of alcoholic delights.

Every meal comes with a basket of garlic bread, soup or salad, and some type of potato or vegetable. The bread was warm and served with whipped butter. Soups include Boston clam chowder, salmon soup and the soup of the day.

Another pleasant surprise was the salad. Instead of the traditional type of house salad served at countless other restaurants, the Third Wave adds more to its meal. Fresh mandarin oranges, sun-

flower seeds and excellent raspberry vinaigrette dressing come standard on the house salad.

Also worth noting was the presentation of the food. It's not very often people get to eat a work of art.

Not a fan of something that used to swim? Try one of the chicken, steak or rib dishes offered. Children also have their choice with simpler fare like macaroni and cheese. The menu also included pasta dishes.

Then there's dessert. Those dining can

choose between six selections at reasonable prices. The meal concludes meal knowing too much was eaten, but feeling it was worth every calorie.

For those daring enough to try a different type of delicacy—Nobu Sushi, located inside Third Wave, offers nearly 60 types of sushi dishes. It can be ordered with a meal or as a separate carryout.

The dining experience here was definitely worth repeating. The service was exceptional. From the time the food was ordered to the time it arrived was about 20 minutes—during which soup, salad, and bread were served.

Drinks were refilled promptly, and special requests were done correctly. Both the server and chef were helpful in answering any questions.

Though the Third Wave is a casual dining environment, it could be a nice place to go on a date or to celebrate something special.

Dinner is served from 4 p.m.-11 p.m. Lunch is served during the week from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and noon-4 p.m. on Sundays.

The Third Wave Seafood and Chop House is located in Oxford at 21 S. Lapeer Road (M-24) on the west side of the road, approximately 20 minutes from campus. Parking is behind the strip of stores and restaurants.

Next time hunger hits, ride a wave to the Third Wave Seafood and Chop House for a superior dining experience.

## Napster returns as subscription service, students skeptical

By Adam L. Neal  
THE OAKLAND POST

The online file-sharing pioneer Napster plans to launch its new fee-based membership program sometime in the next few weeks.

Napster, which debuted on the internet in November 1999, was shut down about a year later by order of the courts. The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) along with several major record labels filed a lawsuit saying the company was breaking copyright laws.

After much retooling, Napster is putting together a fee-based membership service to give users a new easy-to-use format to download songs legally.

The one noticeable difference Napster users will come across, besides from the monthly price, will be something called .NAP files. These are new files that Napster has created in order to meet the needs of certain record labels. The company will still offer unrestricted MP3 files, however, some record companies would not allow Napster to use their songs unless changes were made to the MP3 format.

These .NAP files can only be played through the Napster's new media player. These files will not be able to be burned onto a CD or played through other music players. The other catch for .NAP files is that an active membership must be maintained in order for them to be playable.

Artists, songwriters and rights holders can choose which format they want to make their music available. There will even be a self-registration tool that allows

unsigned artists to register their music and choose the format.

Napster is planning to offer a one-month free trial period according to the Napster spokesman. This will allow new and former users to see what Napster has to offer and check out the new service. Label partners will also be made publicly available during the free trial.

In order to meet all of the court's demands, Napster has selected Infranet to manage its service. Infranet is part of Portal Software, Inc. and will provide Napster with the ability to collect fees from its members and pay the copyrighted artists.

Napster has licensed Counterpoint Systems, one of the leading providers of rights and royalty administration software to the entertainment industry, to track songs shared between users so royalties can be paid to the artists.

Napster also has been busy getting a licensed transaction processing and fraud protection software from ClearCommerce Corp. Napster can now easily secure payments when processing credit card membership fees.

"Napster has not yet announced the specific price for the service, but they are targeting between \$5 and \$10 a month for 50 downloads," a Napster spokesperson said. "They will also likely offer additional downloads for a modest extra price. Napster will announce a more specific pricing structure closer to launch."

The final date is in the air for the launch of the fee-based service due to licensing and settlement negotiations with some major record labels. Napster is still looking at an early 2002 release.

The Napster beta tester was only available to 20,000 users to download in the United States. Napster is still getting feedback from the testers and fixing all the bugs that were present. The company wants to make sure everything is set before the commercial launch. The test only contained 110,000 songs, a small sub-set that Napster has a license for.

"Why would anyone pay for MP3's when they can still get it free from other sites?" Michelle Skonieczny, sophomore, nursing, questioned. "There are other Internet services, such as KaZaa and Morpheus, that continue to be free. Until they are shut down, it seems pointless to spend money on Napster."

Dennis O'Connor, junior, biology, agrees with Michelle. "I really don't think there is any way to compete with all of the other free sites. Even though Napster is now going to be legal, there will always be pirate sites that will be easier and cheaper around the Internet."

Napster has already taken this into consideration and assured that users will use its site.

"All of Napster's research shows that the vast majority of people would be willing to pay a reasonable price for high-quality music in an easy-to-use and secure peer-to-peer file-sharing environment," the Napster spokesman said.

"Most people want artists and songwriters to be compensated for their work, and they want to discover music and have instantaneous access to it."

For more information and updates on Napster, visit its web site at [www.napster.com](http://www.napster.com).



# Stylish French noir coolly delivers

By Patrick Labadie  
LIFE EDITOR

A roll of the dice. A spin of the wheel. A deal of the cards. This is the life of former gangster and compulsive gambler Bob Montagne (Roger Duchesne).

He is a nocturnal creature with a taste for smoke-filled poker games, back room crap games and swanky night clubs.

Jean-Pierre Melville's 1955 French noir classic "Bob le Flambeur" (literally "Bob the High Roller") is, in the director's own words, "a love letter to a Paris which no longer existed. Pre-war Paris."

The audience catches first glimpse of Bob following a night of big losses at the tables. Clad in a dapper suit and fedora with a cigarette dangling from in lips, he saunters out of the club to the lonely tune of a lone xylophone. He glances at himself in the mirror. "What a fine looking hood," he says.

He lives in a classy studio apartment, where he keeps a slot machine in the closet to feed his gambling mania. Bob

lives relatively clean manner and even has a maid come by each day to clean.

When he's not gambling, Bob plays father figure to his hero-worshipping young protégé Paulo. When Bob spots a young girl, Anne (Isabelle Corey), he offers to let her stay with him and later allows young Paulo to move in on her. C

Later, when the time comes for Bob to plan his "last score" of robbing a casino, one almost wishes that you could just observe Bob in his natural environment.

The mechanics of the heist almost seem boring compared to watching Bob be the smooth bastard that he is. While the heist portion of the film provides some interesting cat and mouse between Bob and the police chief, it is not nearly as compelling as the characterization that preceded it.

When the heist finally happens, suffice to say, Bob is dealt an ironic hand. It is that important.

Bob is the epitome of the effortless cool that was best embodied by Humphrey Bogart. He oozes it as he walks. Always impeccable dressed, smoking like a chimney, with rugged middle-aged good looks, Bob is always smooth, always in control. With his two-tone Plymouth convertible and his slot

machine that he keep in his closet, he is possibly one of the coolest cats ever to appear on celluloid.

Moving elegantly through the seedy streets of Montmartre to a wonderful jazz score, Bob has a certain intangible quality that is difficult to put one's finger on; some kind of a tattered nobility that sticks out among low-lives.

Despite his shady dealings, Bob has a distinct moral code. Disinterested in sexual gratification, his only love is that of his next bet. He frowns upon pimps, whom he views as degrading to women. Also, he has a very respectful relationship with the cops (they sometimes drive him from game to game).

Melville is clearly indebted to the American gangster films and film noirs of the 30s and 40s, though "Bob" is decidedly less serious in tone.

In addition, it's one of the most influential French films of the decade. It served as a building block for the French New Wave, a movement dedicated to a more personal and emotional style of filmmaking, that would spring forth in the late 50s and early 60s. New wavers Jean Luc Godard and Francois Truffaut were both heavily influenced by the film's light-hearted tone, self-awareness, free-wheeling structure and highly-stylized photography.

"Bob le Flambeur" is showing exclusively at the Detroit Film Theatre. Check out [www.dia.org/dft](http://www.dia.org/dft).



**EFFORTLESS:** Roger Duchesne stars at Bob Montagne in Jean-Pierre Melville's 1955 noir classic "Bob le Flambeur." Throughout the film, he is seen sporting a dapper wardrobe. He even finds time to plan a casino heist.

Photo courtesy of Rialto Pictures

**"Bob le Flambeur"**  
out of four cameras  
Starring: Roger Duchesne, Isabelle Corey  
Director: Jean-Pierre Melville

**LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER:** Britney Spears and Kim Cattrall star in "Crossroads." In the film, Britney proves she is not yet an actress.

Photo courtesy of Paramount



## Britney, 'Crossroads' fail

By Brian Urreta  
THE OAKLAND POST

She's not a girl. She's not a woman. She's not an actress.

In the tradition of Vanilla Ice in "Cool As Ice," musical pop-starlet Britney Spears bombs her way onto the big screen with her new film, "Crossroads."

OK, let's be fair here. It is her first time out as an actress, other than maybe the Mickey Mouse Club. Nonetheless, what was she thinking? Did she not see "Glitter," or even "Spice World" for that matter.

Usually when a musician wants to break out onto the big screen with a starring role, the results are disastrous. If Spears wanted to do it right, she should've played her cards like Sean "P. Diddy" Combs who's had two small, yet significant roles in the films "Made," and the recently released "Monster's Ball." Combs is not as cocky as some may think, he actually takes Hollywood quite seriously and is gaining massive critical acclaim for "Monster's Ball."

Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for Spears who plays Lucy, a shy, yet beautiful valedictorian who's near perfect.

"Crossroads" is a story about childhood friends who run away from home with a mysterious man to take a cross-country road trip to follow their dreams. Along the way to finding themselves, they sing karaoke for money at what seems to be a strip-bar, get drunk, lose their virginity, and deal with misadventures, basically every day teenage girl stuff.

The plot for "Crossroads" is like a bad after-school special. There are many loopholes to go through, the characters are underdeveloped and

the acting is absolutely horrendous. However, Spears isn't only to blame for this.

Zoe Saldana and Taryn Manning play Lucy's pseudo-friends Kit and Mimi. Watching their weak deliveries and total lack of chemistry for an hour and a half was about as entertaining as watching Total Request Live. Even veteran actor Dan Aykroyd, looking as bloated as ever, can't help but look ridiculous in his role as Lucy's overprotective father.

Director Tamra Davis ("Billy Madison") must have known she was selling her soul to make some cash off the likes of Spears. Because after all, "Crossroads" should've been called, "The Britney Spears Movie."

Spears does her best to follow her idol Madonna, who's had her own fair share of acting duds. However, the transition from pop star to actress is difficult.

Madonna played the bad girl, she got off on dropping jaws. It was fun to watch Madonna be sexy and bad on screen because she had the versatility to do just that. In "Crossroads," Spears attempts to sully that image in two scenes, both involving her in bra and underwear. Sadly for Spears, all she did was give parents a reason to complain and young boys a reason to lock themselves up in a bathroom for some 'alone' time.

In the realm of pop-music, Spears may have all the right moves, but in Hollywood, she has nothing but two left feet. Sure she can sell her Pepsi-winning smile the first time around on the big screen. But as Spears will soon find out, without the acting talent, gravity always wins, and the fall will be hard and dismal.

Good luck at keeping "Crossroads" in the closet Miss Spears, you're going to need all the help you can get.

**"Crossroads"**  
out of four cameras  
Starring: Britney Spears, Dan Aykroyd, Kim Cattrall  
Director: Tamra Davis

## SPB to Atlanta for spring break

By Gayle Issa  
GET OUT EDITOR

SPB is planning a trip for spring break. Around 50 OU students with their guests are heading down to Atlanta for the second half of the break.

Lisa Cooper, junior, MIS is the administrative assistant for the Recreation and Leisure Committee of SPB and she will also be the trip supervisor.

"We just wanted to do something fun over spring break. SPB is all about offering students an alternative to classes. We try to plan trips for students who wouldn't otherwise go or maybe couldn't afford it," Cooper said.

SPB has been planning several similar events. They offered a cheap ski trip for students in January. The cost of going to Atlanta for a three-night trip is

only \$125 for OU students.

"The trips are so cheap because the SPB subsidizes a large amount of the cost," Cooper said.

Although the Atlanta trip is sold out, students interested in cheap holidays should keep their eyes open. SPB already has another trip coming up at the end of March, a two-day trip to Chicago costing OU students only \$75.

SPB has done a great job of planning an itinerary of fun visits to some of this city's main attractions. These include tours of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the CNN studios, the Centennial Olympic Park, the World of Coca-Cola, the Martin Luther King Jr. Historical site, Six Flags Georgia and the Botanical Gardens.

According to Cooper, it was their faculty advisor, Brenda

Ellis' idea to incorporate SPB's first ever spring break trip with African-American Awareness Month, hence the reason for visiting the MLK Jr. site. In addition, Cooper has arranged a chance to watch Jasmine Guy, a prominent African-American performing artist, speak at a local college.

They are scheduled back on Sunday evening. Students have the option of following the itinerary or not.

Cooper has been working on compiling a list of bars and comedy houses to have available. She has also been calling colleges there that are in session during this time in order to give the group more options for activities and get a feel for other education institutions.

There are no seats available for the Atlanta trip.

## Diversity key in Arab organization

**Group stresses cultural ideas over religious preference**

By Justin Mularski  
THE OAKLAND POST

Despite the numerous Arab-American students at OU, there has never been an organization that catered to their cultural interests and ideas rather than their religious preferences.

That all changed last Fall, when the Arab American Student Organization was founded by six eager students in orders to provide balance to the already existing Muslim and Chaldean student associations.

AASO's main goal is to promote Arabic culture from a variety of different backgrounds. There are at least 10 different countries represented by the group's members, including Lebanon, Palestine, Jordan as well as Asian and European countries. That kind of diversity is what president Joulana Janineh, senior, pre-med, was looking for

when she and her fellow officers decided to start AASO.

"An Arab is anyone who still practices old country traditions and culture," said Janineh.

Those old world traditions are not necessarily religious. Member Basma Sharafi said, "This (AASO) is not about religion. That's what the MSA and CASA are for."

Skeptics who question the group's diversity and lack of secularism can look at its faculty advisor, biomedical sciences professor Barry S. Winkler, who is the director of the Honors College. He is also Jewish.

Professor Winkler already knew Janineh from the Honors College, and said when she asked him to be the advisor, "her enthusiasm won me over immediately. It was an easy decision. She assured me that my being Jewish was not a problem for her or the group, and she being Arab

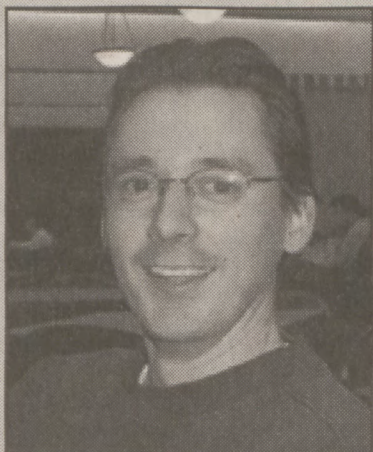
was no problem for me."

The group hopes to knock down stereotypes about Arab-Americans, especially after the attacks on New York and Washington. One way they chose to address this issue earlier this year was to hold a coffee hour in conjunction with the Muslim Student Association. During the panel discussion, they talked about misconceptions that may exist about Arab-Americans, especially at OU, and thought of ways to develop a greater awareness of Arab culture and tradition.

"After September 11th, AASO, as well as the Muslim Student Association and the Chaldean-American Student Association have been thrust onto center stage. They have handled it well," Winkler said.

Janineh said future goals include raising enough funds to offer scholarships to Arab-American students, and working toward establishing more Arab-based classes.

## Student Picks



**Steve White**

graduate student, mechanical engineering

Who'd win in a fight: Britney or Mandy?: Mandy because Britney's at a crossroads right now.

Beatles or Stones: Beatles  
Chocolate or Vanilla: Chocolate  
Starsky or Hutch: Starsky. I think he drove.  
Best thing to come out of the 80s: The 90s  
Best NES game: Tecmo Bowl  
Paper or Plastic: Paper  
Hammer or Vanilla Ice: They're both bad.

## MOVIE ONE-LINERS

Guess what movie each quote is from, then visit [www.oakpostonline.com](http://www.oakpostonline.com) to see if you're right

1. "She's not my special lady friend, man. I'm just helping her conceive."
2. "For god's sake, Mrs. Robinson, here we are, you got me into your house, you give me a drink, you... put on music, now you start opening up your personal life to me and tell me your husband won't be home for hours."
3. "Drop that zero and get with the hero!"
4. "I admit it, I'm a Michael Bolton fan! I celebrate the guy's entire collection! For my money it doesn't get any better than when he sings "When a Man Loves a Woman!"